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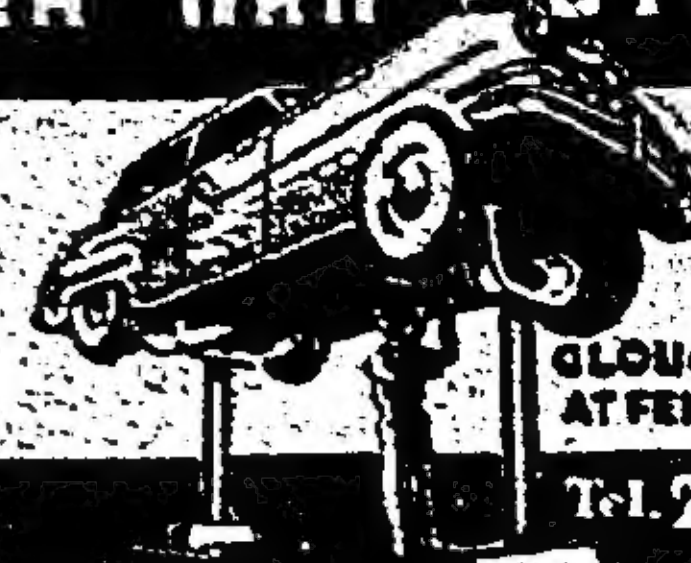
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ANOTHER ATOMIC EXPLOSION IN SOVIET RUSSIA

Three Russians, Three Germans Built The Bomb FIRST TWO WERE DUDS

New York, September 24.

The Mutual Broadcasting System said today that their correspondent in Sweden reported a second atomic explosion in Russia.

Reds Seize Two Towns In Kwangtung

Canton, September 24.
Two important towns inside the Kwangtung border have fallen to the Communists, according to a usually reliable report reaching Canton.

They are Nanshuing and Ching, on the Kanchow-Kukong highway 155 and 135 miles North North East of Canton respectively.

They were occupied by two regiments of General Chen Keng's forces assisted by guerrillas.

This report has not been confirmed officially, but tele-communications between Canton and these two towns have been cut.

At the same time a Communist force launched a surprise attack on the Canton-Hankow railway between Chenhsien and Pinghsien in Southern Hunan.

Rail traffic was disrupted for a short period.

Some civilians were reported to have evacuated Kukong, 125 miles North of Canton.

The number of troops involved in these actions was small.

They are not regarded as a start of the anticipated all-out offensive on South China.

The military spokesman said today that the Communist guerrillas encircled by the Nationalists in the Yungyun district, South East of Kweichow, were likely to be wiped out shortly.

Amoy Situation

The situation at Amoy, in South East China, is critical.

Nationalist reinforcements, assisted by naval and air force units, have landed on the mainland opposite Kulangsu Island.

Fighting has taken place at several points on the mainland and the Communists are reported to have suffered 10,000 casualties in the past few days.

The spokesman admitted that some of General Chen Yi's troops had crossed to the South bank of the Kiang River and were now threatening Amoy from the West.

General Tang En-po is still in command of the Nationalist defenders at Amoy—Reuter.

The Weather

At 0600 GMT (1 p.m. HKST) an anticyclone is centred between N. Formosa and Korea. Pressure is low over Manchuria and to the SE of Japan.

Today's Forecast: Light SE winds. Mainly fair, with a few isolated showers.

Yesterday's Weather:
Maximum: 85.0 deg. Fah.
Minimum: 77.0 deg. Fah.
Sunshine: 10.2 hours.

Relief: 24. mm. at 09.00 in. Total since Jan. 1—1217.7 mm.—2711.1 in. at 20.00 hours. Average of 1947-9: 75.11 in.

Readings at:
10 a.m. 6 p.m.
10.11.7 10.12.2 a.m.
25.7 25.9 (inches)
24. Humidity 50 51.5
25. Dew Point 77 75 deg. F.
26. Wind Direction 18 by S 2 by S
27. Wind Force 10 knots
28. Tide: Time 12.1
29. High 12.24 6.8
30. Low 05.48 3.7
31. Rainfall 15.99 5.7

Mutual said Bigger Jacobsen, their correspondent in Stockholm, quoted reliable Swedish sources as saying that the explosion took place near Crimea on September 14.

Jacobsen said the atomic bomb used in the explosion was invented by three Russians and three Germans. The names of the Russians, he said, were Kpitzka, Semenov and Joffe and the Germans were Pose, Mye and Hertz.

A press despatch from Paris today said French sources claimed to have made the first detection of a Russian atomic bomb explosion.

The despatch said special instruments loaned by the United States were used and that three atomic explosions were recorded three weeks ago coming from a spot 1,000 miles East of the Urals.

A high ranking officer of the French High Command, personally carried the news late at night to Premier Henri Queuille while he was playing with friends in the country.

President Truman's statement has not yet been published by the Soviet press. Almost three columns of the main

KMT Member Deported

Four members of the Kuomintang, detained a few weeks ago by the Police for alleged association with clandestine activity at Kowloon City, have been deported.

The "Sunday Herald" learned reliably yesterday that they have been banished from the Colony for six months.

Mr. Wu Yau-chun, member of the Executive Committee of the Hong Kong-Macao Bureau of the Kuomintang which has been dissolved here following the enactment of the Societies Registration Ordinance, has been released by the police.

Mr. Wu was detained in August, also for alleged connection with clandestine activity at Kowloon City. Mr. Wu, however, is required to report once a week to the Central Police Station pending final decision of his case by Government.

newspapers were devoted to Thursday's United Nations proceedings.

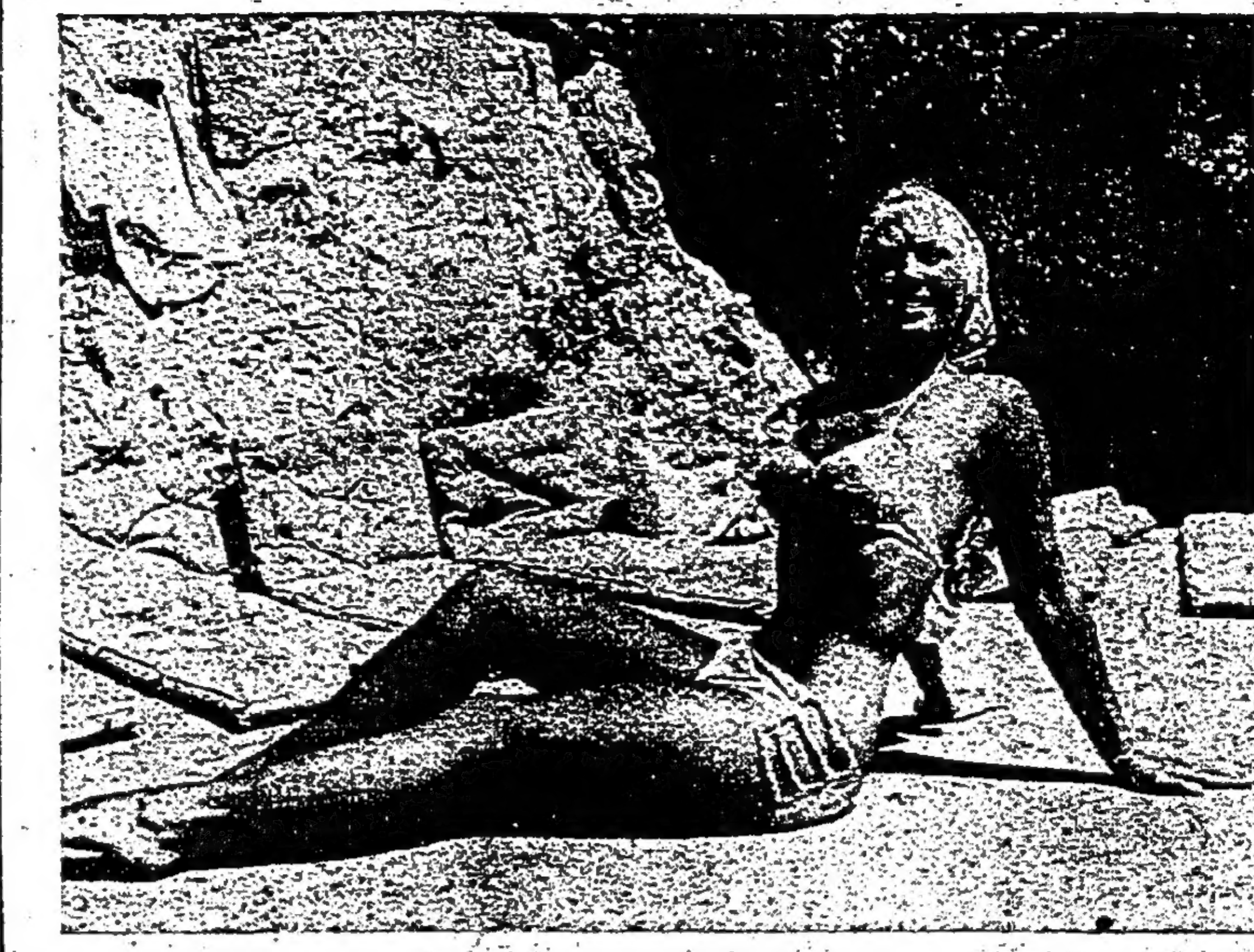
The sole reference to atomic energy today appeared in an editorial on the Anglo-American divergences in the matter of sharing technical information and the distribution of uranium from Belgian Congo.

May Know More

In Washington, authoritative quarters indicated that top United States officials have a great deal more information about the atomic explosion in Russia, including the specific date than Mr. Truman made public. While the President said only that it occurred "within recent weeks" there were strong indications that the news—or at least confirmation of it—reached Washington early this week.

The only location that Mr. Truman gave was "in the USSR." Unofficially it was generally believed here that the explosion took place in some remote and uninhabited region, probably in Siberia, comparable to the New Mexico desert where the first United States bomb was tested on July 16, 1945.

Officials familiar with the manufacturing process of an atomic bomb discounted the possibility that the blast might have been an accident in the atomic



Luscious lump of pichitude in photo above is Zina d'Harcourt, snapped by cameraman while sunbathing at Eden Roc in the South of France.

Working Class Regime For New Red Republic

Nanking, September 24.

The new "Chinese People's Republic" of Communist China will be a working class regime ruled by a committee instead of a President.

That is the report from Peiping today. The Political Consultative Conference is in session in that ancient Northern city setting up the new government.

(Shanghai said the new "republic" would be made up of labourers—who will be the leaders—farmers, the middle class and capitalists.)

Tung Pi-wu, Chairman of the conference, said the highest governing authority would be vested in "The People's Representative Assembly" for Con-

gress) which will be elected by popular vote.

The assembly, meeting at specified intervals, will elect the members of the "People's Government" and the "Central People's Committee."

A Politburo

(This "committee" by implication, will be the actual ruler of Communist China. The despatch said the committee would be similar to the Russian Politburo.)

Under the committee will be four departments: the Political Affairs Yuan (Similar to a Cabinet), the Military Affairs Committee, the People's Court (Judiciary) and the People's Supervisory Department, which would have the power of impeachment.

Tung announced that the head of the Political Affairs Yuan would be Chung Li. This office is similar to that of Premier.

(Chung Li appears to be an unknown outside China. Available biographical files do not list him. Nor is he on the latest available list of the Communist Party's Politburo, the real ruler of Red China.)

(Indeed, Chung Li may be a non-Communist. There had been much speculation in Nationalist China that Mr. Marshal Li Chai-sun might be made the figurehead chief of the Red regime. Li, a former close ally of Chiang Kai-shek, is not a Communist.)—Associated Press.

Relations With Russia.

The Prime Minister deplored Russia's decision to cut herself off from the rest of the world behind the Iron Curtain. He said that despite differences in the West, such as capitalism and socialism, it was possible to maintain close relations.

Then he referred to the danger of a split in the West. "Danger has faced us lest there might be a complete division in the economic field on an economic plane caused by this currency difficulty. There was danger that unless arrangements could be come to whereby trade might flow between the dollar area and other areas there would be a division. This would have meant reduction in trade and consequently economic loss and want and a weakening of the democratic world."

"I believe that the (Washington) talks have gone far to avert this danger. I believe that as a result of those talks action will be taken on both sides of the Atlantic which will pave the way to a free flow of trade."

"The task is not easy but given the will and the time it can be accomplished."—United Press.

Laszlo Rajk Sentenced To Death

Budapest, September 24.

A people's court today sentenced Laszlo Rajk, former number two Communist, and two of his seven co-defendants to die for plotting to supplant Hungary's Government by a regime obedient to Yugoslav Marshal Tito.

Two other defendants were sentenced to life imprisonment and another to nine years.

But the court passed no sentence on the other two defendants—Lieutenant-General Gyorgy Palffy, former chief of the Hungarian Army, and Bela Korondy, Colonel of Police. The court said it was not competent to deal with them and they were held for court martial.

Sentenced with Rajk to die were Dr. Tibor Szosny, former member of Parliament and a Communist Party official, and Andras Szalai, another party official.

Life sentences were imposed on Lazar Brankov, Counselor of the Yugoslav Embassy, and Pal Justus, a member of Parliament and President of the Hungarian Radio.

Milan Ognyenovic, a confessed Yugoslav professional spy, was sentenced to nine years' imprisonment.

The indictment against Rajk, former Foreign Minister and Interior Minister, accused him of working with an American spy ring and plotting with Tito to bring about the downfall of the Budapest Government. During the trial the defendants had eagerly admitted most of the accusations against them and even elaborated on the Government's charges.

The verdicts were read by Judge Peter Janiko before a courtroom crowded with 300 tense spectators.

The court pointed out that all the convicted have the right to appeal against their sentences.—Associated Press.

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PRICES FROZEN AT LEVEL OF SEPTEMBER 17

Government yesterday froze the prices of all articles and commodities at the basic prices that prevailed on September 17.

A special Order by the Acting Director of Supplies and Distribution was made in a "Government Gazette Extraordinary."

The Director, Mr. D. C. Barry, had previously warned merchants against increasing prices following the devaluation of the pound sterling.

Yesterday's price freezing order covers both wholesale and retail prices prevailing on September 17 but does not affect commodities which are already price-controlled and vary from time to time.

An official explanatory note states that since the announcement of a tendency to increase prices has been observed, the new order imposes a "freeze" on prices wholesale and retail of articles of any description to a basic price prevailing on September 17.

The Order states:—
"Subject to the exemption specified in paragraph 8 of this Order, it shall be unlawful for any person to sell, agree to sell or offer to sell, articles of any description in the course of any business at a price which exceeds the basic price."

"(1) In this Order the expression 'basic price' means, in relation to articles of any description sold, agreed to be sold or offered for sale, the price at which, in the ordinary course of the business in which such articles were sold, agreed to be sold or offered for sale, articles of that description were being offered for sale at the seventeenth day of September nineteen hundred and forty-nine."

"(2) In relation to articles of any description sold, agreed to be sold or offered for sale, in the course of a business which included both a wholesale and a retail branch, or both a manufacturing branch, or two or more branches in localities of a different character or otherwise, the reference in sub-paragraph (1) of this paragraph to the 'business' in which such articles were sold, agreed to be sold or offered for sale, shall be construed as a reference to the particular branch of that business in the course of which the transaction was effected."

It is understood that those to need of housing will be accommodated in proper dwellings—deserted camps. Where necessary, British subjects will be subsidised by Government during their stay here.

Messages from Shanghai yesterday said that the s. General Gordon arrived at Shanghai at noon on Friday. The vessel discharged some 400 bags of mail and 150 ton of rice, but disembarked no passengers.

After the unloading the vessel began taking on an expected 1,400 passengers for repatriation from Communist China.

The first passengers on board (says Associated Press) were 300 charges of the American-Jewish Joint Distribution Committee. They are bound for the United States, Canada, and Brazil for resettlement.

The ship is expected to sail this morning for Hong Kong its first stop after leaving Shanghai.

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MacArthur Is "The Right Man In The Right Place"

General Douglas MacArthur, Supreme Commander, Allied Forces in the Pacific, is beyond question the right man in the right place, said Mr. Oscar E. Provis, of Curcul, near Manly, Sydney, in Radio Hong Kong's weekly Saturday Round-up last night.

"I doubt very much," he added, "whether any other living man could have handled the task of rehabilitating Japan so well and completely and at the same time saving it from Communism."

"I am aware that this is a very sweeping statement, but the job required a man with a very special understanding of the people and of the undertaking and also a human understanding."

"It was on August 13, 1945, that General MacArthur landed and set up his first Japan Headquarters in Yokohama and today the first thing that must impress a visitor to Japan, I think, is the wonderful job he has done."

"General MacArthur has revealed that he is not only a great soldier but also must be ranked as one of the world's greatest statesmen."

"Today the General is faced with very different problems from those which had to be solved during the past four years. Japan has now been demilitarized and the other original objectives of the Occupation have been completed."

"The present primary concern is with Japanese economic problems of putting a defeated nation back on its feet again. I may mention here that Japan has already reached industrial production recovery estimated at 78 per cent of the peacetime 1932-36 period."

"At one stage it seemed that Communism was a real danger but it is considered that it is now no longer a major issue in Japanese life."

"The cherry blossom season in all its beauty and the joyousness of the colorful maples in autumn will be there each season. These things cannot change. But will the Japanese continue to follow General MacArthur's guidance and will they remain true to the concepts of liberty and freedom that he has shown them? Will they maintain the integrity of their new Constitution after the occupation force is withdrawn in the interests of peace we all sincerely hope so. Time alone will tell."

Mr. Provis is a ship's purser who has been travelling around the Far East for some years. He broadcast a talk over Radio Hong Kong on the Australian situation at the time of the recent coal strike.

Prices Frozen At Level Of September 17

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"In relation to a description of articles in the case of which the provisions of paragraph 3 cannot operate by reason of that description of articles having come into existence after the said seventeenth day of September, the competent authority may by order specify a price which shall be deemed for the purposes of this Order to be the basic price for articles of that description sold, agreed to be sold or offered for sale, whilst the order is in force."

"In this Order references to an offer to sell articles shall be construed as including a reference to a notification by a person of the price proposed by him for a sale of articles, made by the publication of a price list, by exposing the articles for sale in association with a mark indicating price, by the furnishing of a quotation, or otherwise however."

"In this Order the word 'person' includes a firm and in relation to a firm required to do anything pursuant to this Order, means the managing partner or partners of such firm."

"A prosecution for a contravention of this Order shall not be instituted except by or with the consent of the competent authority."

"This Order shall not apply to the articles specified in the Order of the competent authority (amending the Schedule to the Price Control Order, 1948) and published as Government Notification No. A211 of the Gazette of September 23, 1948."

"The President of the Japan Shipbuilders' Federation said only recently that Japan was anxious to model her shipbuilding industry on the lines of the industry in England and to this end, advice of English shipbuilding experts is being sought."

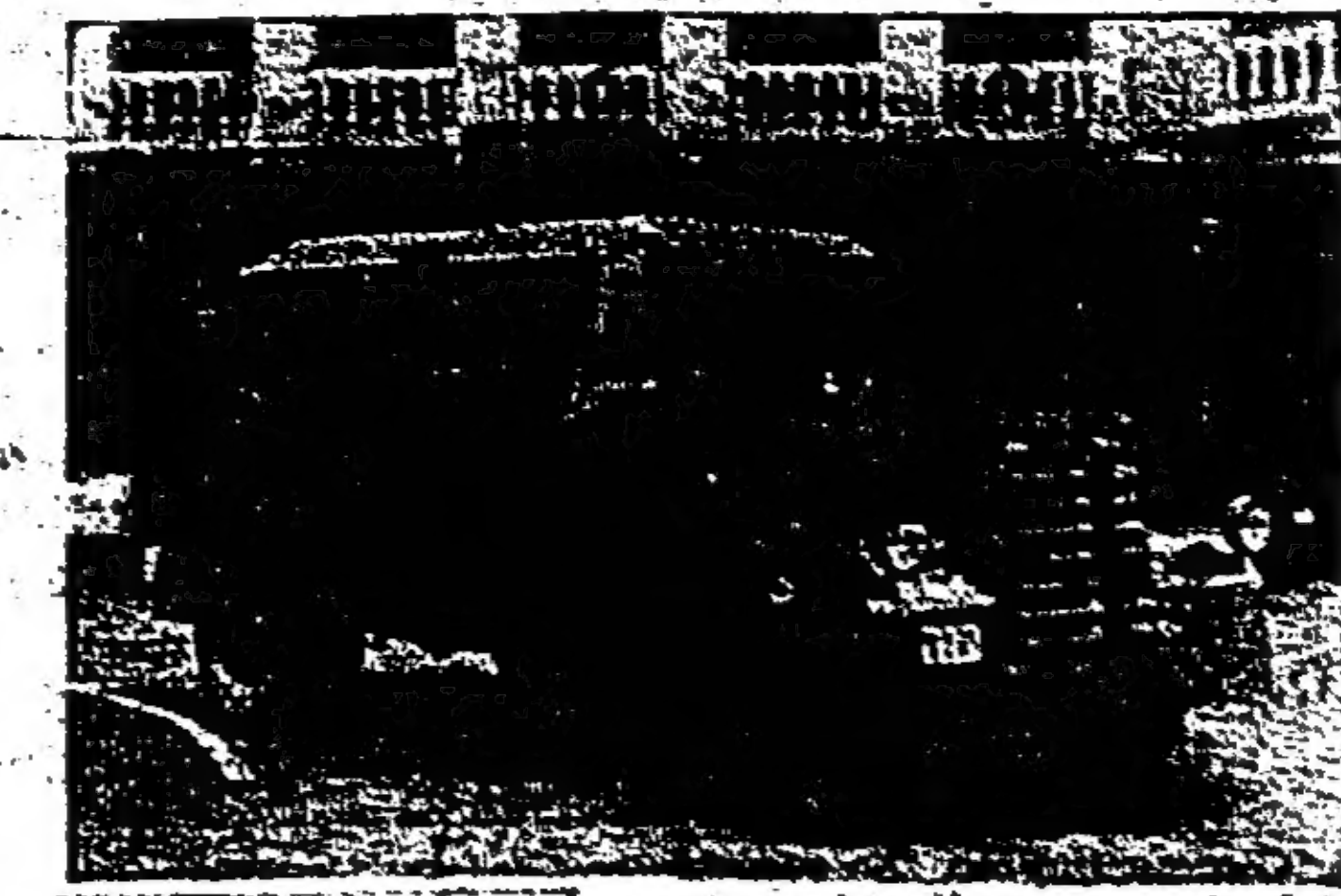
"A recent health survey released by SOAIP states that the 1948 death rate in Japan was the lowest ever recorded. It is claimed that the reduced death rate is a reflection of the considerable progress made in the control of disease since the war. An outstanding example of disease control is smallpox. In 1948 it spread epidemic proportions before being brought under control but in 1948 only 22 persons died from this. Smallpox in Japan was conquered by vaccinating the entire Japanese population."

"Of general interest and indicative of what is taking place is the fact that the Boy Scout movement in Japan has been reorganized since the war and towards the end of this month the first post-war convention of leaders is to be held. It is also planned for some 500 scouts to hold a two-day jamboree in the Imperial Palace grounds about the same time as the convention."

Occupation Force
"I am often asked what the reaction of the Japanese is to the continued presence of Japanese soldiers of a foreign occupation force. To that question I can only answer that the people one sees about the towns and cities seem happy and contented and look well nourished. I have heard it said as a generalization that the pre-war rich are poor and the pre-war poor are better off than they have ever been, but this I should imagine would apply more to the rural population and small business people than any other section of the community."

"Certainly I have never heard any expressions of hatred, neither have I met anyone who has. Those in the best position to judge and form an opinion seem convinced of the sincerity and desire of a majority of Japanese to support the idea of democracy as their way of life."

"There are those who maintain that the enfranchisement of women is having a marked influence upon Japanese political, economic and social life, and that the women of Japan will prove a powerful and effective force in the shaping of a peaceful destiny for Japan."



Above photo shows first of four armoured cars constructed here for the Hong Kong Police. The car was built at the Kowloon-Canton Railway shops here from a design by Mr. Ken Baker, officer in charge of Government Transport. "China Mail" photo.

New Armoured Car For HK Police

Police AC-1 (armoured car 1), the first of a fleet of four such cars being built for the Hong Kong Police Force, took to the road yesterday.

Built on a reinforced 2½-ton Ford chassis, the car, which is completely armoured with ½-inch armoured plate, has been specially designed for easy steering and manoeuvring. Its weight is only three and a half tons, and it can be driven as easily as a Ford car at a speed of 50 to 55 miles an hour.

The car was designed by Mr. Ken Baker, officer in charge of Government Transport, Caroline Hill, on details submitted by Mr. M. I. Trevor, Manager of Kowloon-Canton Railway who had the cars built at the Railway Yard from armoured plate from England.

The car carries a crew of seven, including the driver, and is fully armed with automatic weapons and gas equipment. A Bren gun is mounted in the turret, which, on the release of a screw, can be swung in any direction; while from the waist turrets Sten guns and other weapons can be fired.

The car is electrified. Anyone touching it from outside would get an electric shock.

Radio Equipment
The radio equipment enables the crew to keep in constant touch with police radio control.

The designer also had a thought for the comfort of the crew when he provided for the installation of small rubber-blade electric fans inside the car.

The car is a dual purpose vehicle. While for actual combat it carries a crew of seven only, it has an actual carrying capacity for 15 to 16 persons, so that when there is a need to rush reinforcements to any point in an emergency, transport.

A special feature of the car is that its sides are deflated, and everything is on an angle, so that it is not possible for it to receive a direct hit.

Mr. D. B. Spence, Police Officer in Charge, who was mainly responsible for the building and equipment of the car, said that this type of armoured vehicle was useful in ambushes and in dealing with armed gangs out of buildings.

Above all it boosted police morale and instilled confidence in the Force by the security it afforded, which was a very important thing.

A test showed that at 25 yards, fire from a 303 caused only a slight dent in the armoured plate, while at 75 yards a pistol shot left no mark at all.

Gas Gun
The car would also be useful for quelling riots.

The gas gun could fire accurately into an unruly crowd and put them into tears within a matter of seconds. Gas grenades are also carried.

Mr. Binstead said that though the fleet would consist of only four cars in the first instance, as there was an ample reserve of the armoured plates. Any number up to 50 could be completed within two months or so.

The first car will be taken over to the New Territories at Fanning Crossroads, next week for service. When the other three cars are ready, one will be stationed on the island, one in Kowloon, and another in the New Territories.

Mr. Binstead said that every member of the car has been trained in the use of all weapons and gas equipment as well as in driving the car and operating the radio.

Mr. Binstead said the idea of armoured cars was not born out of the recent situation in the Colony but had been on the books for 18 months. It was part of the police rehabilitation programme instituted by the Commissioner, Mr. D. W. McIntosh, who from his experience had placed great importance on the armoured car for dealing with disturbances.

B-50 BOMBERS FOR ENGLAND?
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Another Atomic Explosion In Soviet Russia

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"However, it was obvious," the story added, "that it was merely a matter of time before the Russian atom bomb would be successfully detonated."

The despatch said "Premier Stalin—determined to witness the first explosion—was on hand when the two bombs were dropped, and presumably was present when the third—and successful—bomb went off."

"The recent movement of Soviet troops into Southern Russia may have been in connection with security measures taken both with regard to Stalin and to prevent foreign agents from catching a glimpse of the explosion, even at a distance," the despatch said.

It added that American and British agents were said to have had counters set up in Turkey, Greece and the Near East "with a view to ascertaining as much as possible even though the explosions occurred where witnesses would be unavailable."

America's Lead
High American officials today confidently forecast that Russia "will never catch up with us" in the field of atomic weapons, adds Reuter.

The United States still holds a vast lead over Russia and in all probability will never lose it, they said.

The officials revealed today that the White House learned of the Soviet atomic blast through the efforts of various intelligence agencies in the United States, Britain and Canada.

It was teamwork involving the State Department, the military, central intelligence, the British, Canadian and long-range planning.

The officials added: "It was plain old grind, though the methods and sources of the discovery are a deep, dark secret. They said that the evidence was not seismicographic, and it is complete."

BBC MEN TO CIRCLE GLOBE

Sydney, September 23.

The two British Broadcasting Corporation flyers have arrived in Sydney, half-way point on their round the world in eight days trip.

Commentator Wyford Vaughan Thomas and television cameraman Charles de Jager left London last Tuesday. They go on from Sydney and should be in San Francisco on Sunday, Montreal on Monday and back in London on Tuesday.

They are flying by regular British commercial airlines. Jules Verne staggered his readers with the story of a similar trip in 80 days. Associated Press.

Paris, September 23. Leon Aymard, aged 34, of La Feuillade, Phenévize, Central France, was found hanging from a rope, exactly above the place where he sat for his wedding breakfast two days earlier. Reuter.

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Restrictions On Sale Of Foodstuffs

New regulations governing the restriction on the sale of certain foodstuffs will be presented to the Urban Council on Tuesday for adoption. Object of the regulations is to prevent and control certain diseases. The foods concerned are certain raw fish dishes, ice cream, fruit juice and shell fish.

Ming Sung's River Fleet Completed

The last of the three U.S.\$2,000,000 aluminium river vessels built for the Ming Sung Industrial Company, arrived here recently from her shipyard in Canada.

The vessel, mv. Yen Men which was designed by the Philip I. Rhodes Co. of New York and built by George T. Davis & Sons' Shipyard at Quebec, was originally meant for Yangtze River service but due to Civil war in China her delivery was made in the Colony.

Measuring 283 feet long with a beam of 60 feet she is equipped, like her sister ships, the Hu Men and Yu Men, with oil-coal steam turbines propelling twin screws.

One of the three floating fortresses of the Ming Sung Industrial Company, the Yen Men was originally made to accommodate special class passengers in 60 air-conditioned staterooms with private baths. She also has refrigerated cargo space.

Lighter Hull

As her hull is made of Corten steel instead of ordinary steel, the vessel saves seven per cent of her hull weight. She has aluminium doors, windows, ladders, hardware and hatch covers.

Specially designed for the Yangtze River trade, she is equipped with mechanical devices to overcome the numerous natural obstacles for the upstream trips there.

The Yen Men or Swallow Gate is at present berthed at Kowloon Bay.

Court Brevities

An unemployed man was sentenced to six weeks' imprisonment with hard labour by Mr. James Wicks at Kowloon yesterday for stealing a dog.

Lee Wah, aged 44, was arrested at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday in Canton Road near Bute Street with a dog.

Later the same day, Mrs. Elsie Chang reported to Yau-mat police station that she had lost a terrier. Enquiries revealed that defendant's dog was stolen from Mrs. Chang.

MOONLIGHT REVELRY PARTY

A Moonlight Revelry Party will be held at Eucliff on October 5.

There will be swimming display by Mr. Lionel Rosa-Pereira. The party is being organised by the Committee of the Hong Kong Women's International Club to raise funds for entertaining the troops there on Mondays and Thursdays. Mrs. Eu Tong-sen has kindly lent Eucliff for this purpose.

U.S. ARMY CHIEF TO VISIT EAST

Washington, September 23. General J. Lawton Collins, U.S. Army Chief of Staff, is leaving on October 7 for a three-week inspection trip of Army installations in the Pacific and the Far East. He will visit Hawaii, Guam, Japan, Korea and Okinawa. Associated Press.

U.S. WARNED

Santa Monica, California, September 23. The United States now must maintain 24-hour radar detection to defend itself against a sneak attack, Air Force General George C. Kenney, a veteran of the Pacific War, warned today.

"This is a portentous day in history," he said. Associated Press.

Reminders

Today

Toe H Club, Classical Concert, 50, MacDonnell Road, 8.45 a.m.
HK Art Club, sketching party, members to assemble at Queen's Pier, 2.30 p.m. (Further details from Mr. Nobbina, Tel. 30709).

Recital of Classical Music, St. Andrew's Church, 8.30 p.m.
Ladies Recreation Club, Open Lawn Tennis Tournament.

Coming Events

TOMORROW
Whist drive, European YMCA (for civilians and Services), 8 p.m.

TUESDAY
Bridge Drive (for civilians and Services), European YMCA, 8 p.m.
HK Rotary Club luncheon, Roof Garden, HK Hotel, 12.30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY
Toe H meeting, 50, MacDonnell Road, 8.30 p.m.
Mahjong Lessons, European YMCA, 8 p.m.
HK Amateur Radio Transmitting Society, China Fleet Club, 5.30 p.m.

Larceny By Mistake

A 26-year-old shop coolie, Lee Fong, was yesterday given the option of a fine of \$250 or two months by Mr. A. D. Scholes on a charge of larceny by mistake of \$26,000.

Detective Inspector Siu told the court that defendant was employed by the China Mutual Trading Company. Defendant was told to go to the Cheung Kam Kee Company on September 21 to collect \$13,754 for goods sold. Defendant produced two bills to the cashier and the cashier paid defendant \$39,754.

Defendant, after collecting the money, went back to the office and there paid in \$13,754. He kept \$26,000 and took it home. The money was recovered.

It was a mistake on the part of the cashier that gave defendant the extra \$26,000 and defendant, on the spur of the moment kept the money for himself, the prosecution said.

Death Of Old HK Resident

Mr. Alfred P. Greaves, prominent broker and an old resident of Hong Kong, died at the St. Francis Hospital yesterday. He was 65 years old.

Mr. Greaves was actively associated with the stock market for more than 30 years. He was one of the founder members of the Hong Kong Sharebrokers Association, now amalgamated with the Hong Kong Stock Exchange.

Mr. Greaves was also an all-round sportsman. He was educated at Queen's College. During the war he was in Macao.

He is survived by a son, Mr. Alex Greaves, of the "Hong Kong Telegraph".

The funeral will take place at the Colonial Cemetery at 3.30 p.m. today.

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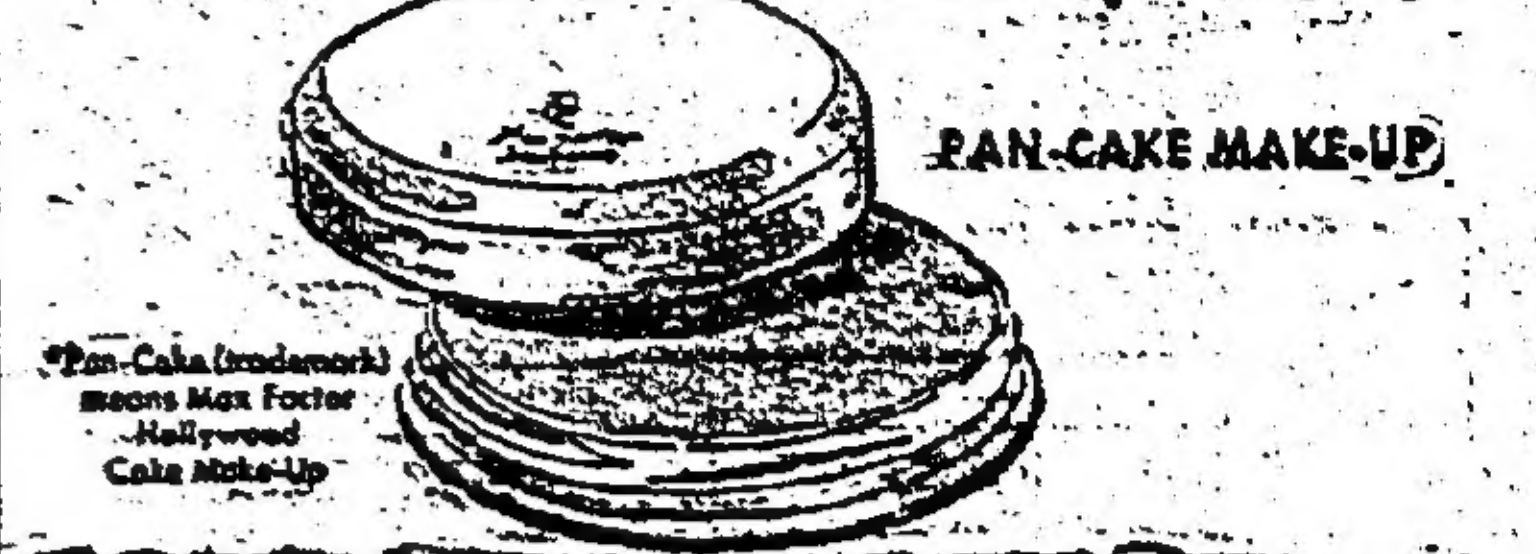
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TAKE NOTICE that by a Deed Poll dated the 24th day of September 1949, VICTOR MARR formerly known as VICTOR ISAEVICH MARIEPOLSKY of 71 Wongneichong Road, 3rd floor, Victoria in the Colony of Hong Kong, Merchant, a naturalised British subject renounced and abandoned the surname of "MARIEPOLSKY".

DATED the 25th day of September 1949.

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MARINE DEPARTMENT
NOTICE NO 39. OF 1949.

FOR INFORMATION OF SHIP OPERATORS AND CHARTERERS.

It is hereby notified that Wednesday, 21st September, 1949 has been declared a Weather-non-working Day.

N. GARLAND, Acting Director of Marine, Marine Office, Hong Kong, Sept. 23, 1949.

NOTICE

It is hereby notified that as from Wednesday, the 28th inst. the Urban Council District Offices at Sham Shui Po will be removed to new accommodation in Un Chau Street (near its junction with Kwai-fan Street).

N. B. M. WHITLEY, Secretary, Urban Council, Hong Kong, September 25, 1949.

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Hydroponic Farming
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Adoption of hydroponic farming in Hong Kong to increase the Colony's vegetable production would be of little value if it could not be done on a proper commercial basis.

The Reverend Fr. Thos. F. Ryan, S.J., who was at one time Agricultural and Forestry Officer, said this yesterday.

Commenting on the successful hydroponic farming experiments in Japan, by the American Occupation authorities, Fr. Ryan said that any system of growing additional vegetables is obviously of interest to Hong Kong.

"The hydroponic method of cultivation, however, is not yet a practical proposition," said Fr. Ryan.

He added: "What is being done in Japan could be repeated here, but the production would not be at an economic rate."

"I think it is correct to say that nowhere have vegetables been produced from hydroponic beds at less than 20 per cent above the cost of soil production, and this does not take account of the considerable capital outlay on the preparation of the beds."

Local experiments in this method of farming could produce useful information, as the science of hydroponics is still so far from being fully developed, said Fr. Ryan.

He added that there was one interested amateur who proposed undertaking such experiments about three years ago. His plans, however, did not mature.

"If anyone else should engage in them, it may ultimately prove of considerable value, but as we are now concerned with urgent problems of supply and have to limit our expenditure to essentials it would not seem worth while to devote public funds to this purpose," said Fr. Ryan.

More Profitable Methods

He added that there are more profitable methods of improving vegetable growing in Hong Kong. "When Government is successful in its efforts to find specialists to advise on minor irrigation schemes and on the best use of sewage for fertilisation, we shall get more vegetables by sounder means than the hydroponic method by helping vegetable farmers to use their skill to better advantage," he said.

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Closing Times by Air

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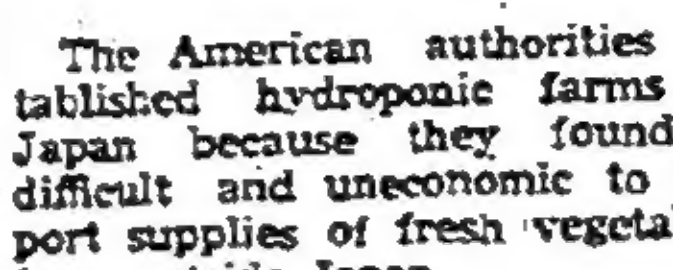
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The American authorities established hydroponic farms in Japan because they found it difficult and uneconomic to import supplies of fresh vegetables from outside Japan.

Fr. Ryan is fully acquainted with Hong Kong's vegetable supply position. He was appointed Agricultural and Forestry Officer following the Liberation and was mainly responsible for getting the farms in the New Territories working and producing.

He relinquished the position early in 1947 and is now Superior of Jesuit Fathers and Procurator in Hong Kong of the English Assistance of the Jesuit Order.

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JANUARY

(December 21-January 19)
If you play your cards right, fully, you will make one important friend this week. Likelihood of a most useful link-up either in next few days or on Thursday. Tuesday may bring some personal disappointment that lowers your self confidence for a time.

FEBRUARY

(January 20-February 18)
Wise to go carefully this week, and as far as possible postpone changes in business routine or in method. From a social and personal angle, a pleasant period; you will probably take the lead in some local scheme in next few days. Beware trouble in family matters or in a close association next week-end.

MARCH

(February 19-March 20)
Family schemes likely to be held up or become unduly complicated. But new financial and business ventures do well, particularly on Friday. Speculative luck should be excellent last two days of week.

APRIL

(March 21-April 20)
A progressive week provided you can keep on the right side of people who matter. If you join in unnecessary controversy or let time waste lead you off the business trail, regrets end of week. If health has been affected, some improvement about Friday.

MAY

(April 21-May 20)
You get good results this week by correspondence or through settlement of some legal dispute. A good period for developing new associations, particularly those of a personal nature. Some likelihood of mishaps at home towards next week-end.

JUNE

(May 21-June 20)
You cash in personally on family good fortune about Friday. Fellow worker or employer does you a good turn early in week. Glowing social prospects, but likelihood of a hold-up or disappointment in some new and promising relationship.

JULY

(June 21-July 20)
You will find time to enjoy yourself; conditions this week favour pleasure. Social schemes rather than hard work. Your closest associate—probably marriage partner—does well on Friday.

AUGUST

(July 21-August 21)
A new idea should bring in money quickly; don't be afraid to be original, audacious both beginning and end of week. Anxiety about a woman friend or relative likely to be lifted in next few days. Possibility of a fortunate deal or family windfall.

SEPTEMBER

(August 22-September 22)
Propitious for holiday trips, travel, trying out new schemes. Friday may also bring speculative luck or, if social minded, some long awaited success. Good news by letter in next few days.

WHAT THE STARS FORETELL

By R.H. Naylor

OCTOBER

(September 23-October 23)
Financially an easier week than you have had for some time, but business changes must be faced in near future and may entail heavy outlay. Take pains to keep well and guard against upsets early in week.

NOVEMBER

(October 24-November 22)
More can be achieved by finesse and goodwill than by any other method this week. If down right tactics or controversy seem necessary, get the mover by Wednesday. Propitious for any type of publicity, for travel, for legal affairs.

DECEMBER

(November 23-December 20)
Help or encouragement from "higher up" brings not only self confidence but money this week. Good returns from anything undertaken under the supervision of an older person. Some health problem cleared up or anxiety about a relative or associate lightened early in week.

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 25:

FOR MOST OF US: In spite of possible quarrels or mishaps, a pleasant day for most people. Good for any type of entertainment, for tea-tales for family affairs. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Celestial blue, 6, Light sapphire.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST:

Although, this is likely to be a year of ups and downs in more senses than one, it should prove also to be a time of assured happiness and slow but steady progress. When you look back upon 1949/50 you will realise that much has been achieved during that period and something begun that leads to happiness and security later.

The year may open with quarrels all round—both in business and in personal life. It looks as though you would fall out with someone near your own age who has been very dear to you during the last few months. In business life, unexpected rivals will spring up and some serious clash occur over a luxury scheme or product.

Financially, the year may be rather uneven. It looks as though you would spend a good deal and that you may come down rather badly over some speculative project. On the other hand, you embark on some venture that promises good returns in a year or two, or you make some arrangement for future security.

It is a good year for land deals of any kind and you may inherit a piece of land or house before the year is finished. Alternatively, you make some personal link-up that leads to a more comfortable existence and possible ownership of property later.

If single, a serious quarrel may be the prelude to a period of enduring happiness. If married, domestic harmony is likely to be disturbed early in the year, but restored by January. But married or single, it will be an outstanding year in your personal affairs, and one in which older people will play a leading part.

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 26:

FOR MOST OF US: A hopeful beginning to the working week. Money easily made this morning. Good for interviews, changes, new ventures. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Wine red, 3, Amethyst.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST:

You can set out on this new year of life with a good heart, for it promises to be one of the easiest you have had for a long

In this weekly series of articles, one of the world's foremost experts in predicting the future gives his opinions on what you personally can expect in the weeks and months to come.

Look for your birth period below and find the general indications for the week. Note that these observations are made according to the Zodiacal Signs and do not exactly coincide with the Calendar Month. For example, January covers December 21-January 19.

time. Provided you are fairly adaptable—and ready—to exert yourself over new schemes 1949/50 should prove to be a time of steadily increasing happiness and prosperity.

There should be some increase in income both before and after an important business change that is due just before Christmas. Don't hesitate to rearrange your affairs at this time of the year. You won't regret embarking upon new schemes during the next months. The necessary financial backing will be forthcoming.

The more courageous you are the greater your success this year. So don't hesitate to make a change of business, to start up on your own, to move to another district or even another country. Travel might be very profitable this year.

Whether or not you travel, it looks as though you would move house and that the change would make for more comfortable living. Socially too, it looks as though you would take chances and achieve success in 1949/50.

It is a good year for getting married, and if already married, for extending family interests and aiming at a more comfortable way of living. New friends may benefit you not only socially but in the business sense too. You will end the year on very good terms with someone who counts for a good deal in your particular circle.

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 27:

FOR MOST OF US: Don't let jobs "stick to your fingers" this morning; get on with what can be speedily completed. Good for travel and for daring schemes. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Vermilion, 9, Ruby.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST:

Although this new year of life will bring some difficult problems, on the whole it should be a time of achievement and new interests. Indeed throughout 1949/50 it will pay you to concentrate on fresh schemes and, where possible, to make a break with the past. Little good would come from clinging to "outward associations."

It may not be easy to sever ties that have endured over some years, where the other person concerned is much older than yourself, the break will be particularly hard to negotiate. But, if you pay too much attention to the claims of the past or to those of duty, you will be conscious of frustration and disappointment throughout the 12 months.

Financially there are better times ahead. You may have still

to shoulder some responsibility or face up to a commitment made during the war years, but burdens of this kind should become lighter as the months pass. If you own property, however, you will probably find that you are losing money over it this year.

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 29:

FOR MOST OF US: If you have plans for today, stick to them. Little good would result from sudden changes or trying out new schemes. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Red-brown, 8, Jade.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST:

Your best policy throughout the coming year is to avoid changes and stick to your present job and environment. Provided you can do this, there will be few serious difficulties to face in 1949/50. If, however, you make unnecessary reshuffles, you will end the year in a muddle and unhappiness.

Also, be content with your present environment throughout the year, however many grievances you may have. Both in business and in personal affairs, it will be foolish to embark on new ventures just now. Also, in difficulties, follow the advice of older and more responsible people.

If you have surplus money in hand, buy a house or land with it. Don't spend it on travel or on anything that promises a quick return. There is no hope of "easy money" for you this year.

Though, if you are level-headed, a good income, but be able to make some provision for the future.

Health may be upset probably because nervous tension will be high between now and Christmas. But most of your ailments will have a mental and nervous origin and need not bother you too

careful to follow regular routine. Pay special attention to diet and to sufficient rest in 1949/50.

What happiness comes your way this year will come through relatives and old friends. Enticing new friendships are likely to end in disillusionment and in complications. If married, beware mischief makers; whether married or single, keep clear of domestic triangles in 1949/50.

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 30:

FOR MOST OF US: About the best business day of the week. Collect money owing or cash in on new schemes. "Gamblers' luck" for many this morning. FOR LUCK OR USE: Royal Purple, 3, Amethyst.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST:

Now begin that should prove to be one of the easiest years you have had for a long time. Both as regards money and happiness 1949/50 should be all you could desire. You find fresh scope for your personality and at the same time secure a more leisureed and comfortable existence.

You will probably find you have money in hand throughout the year. But the most propitious months are likely to be December and January. During this period much could be done to clear up present problems and to establish both yourself and your

family in more comfortable circumstances.

Far reaching changes or travel would not be propitious this year. You will do better throughout 1949/50 if you remain in your present job and in your present environment. You will be able to prove the value of long-standing friendships and of business associations that have been in force for five years or more.

It will be a most interesting year if you are socially ambitious, and you will find that your reputation for charm and tact grows rapidly. Early in the New Year it looks as though you would make a link-up that will be valuable until 1952 at least.

Conditions this year are ideal for engagement and marriage. If you marry in 1949/50 you will find not only happiness but prosperity. If already settled, expect windfalls or some development in domestic affairs that bring you greater happiness and greater comfort.

SATURDAY OCTOBER 1:

FOR MOST OF US: Don't allow yourself to stagnate today, changes and experiments will prove highly beneficial. Good for travel, interviews, formal entertaining. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Orange, 1, Diamond.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST:

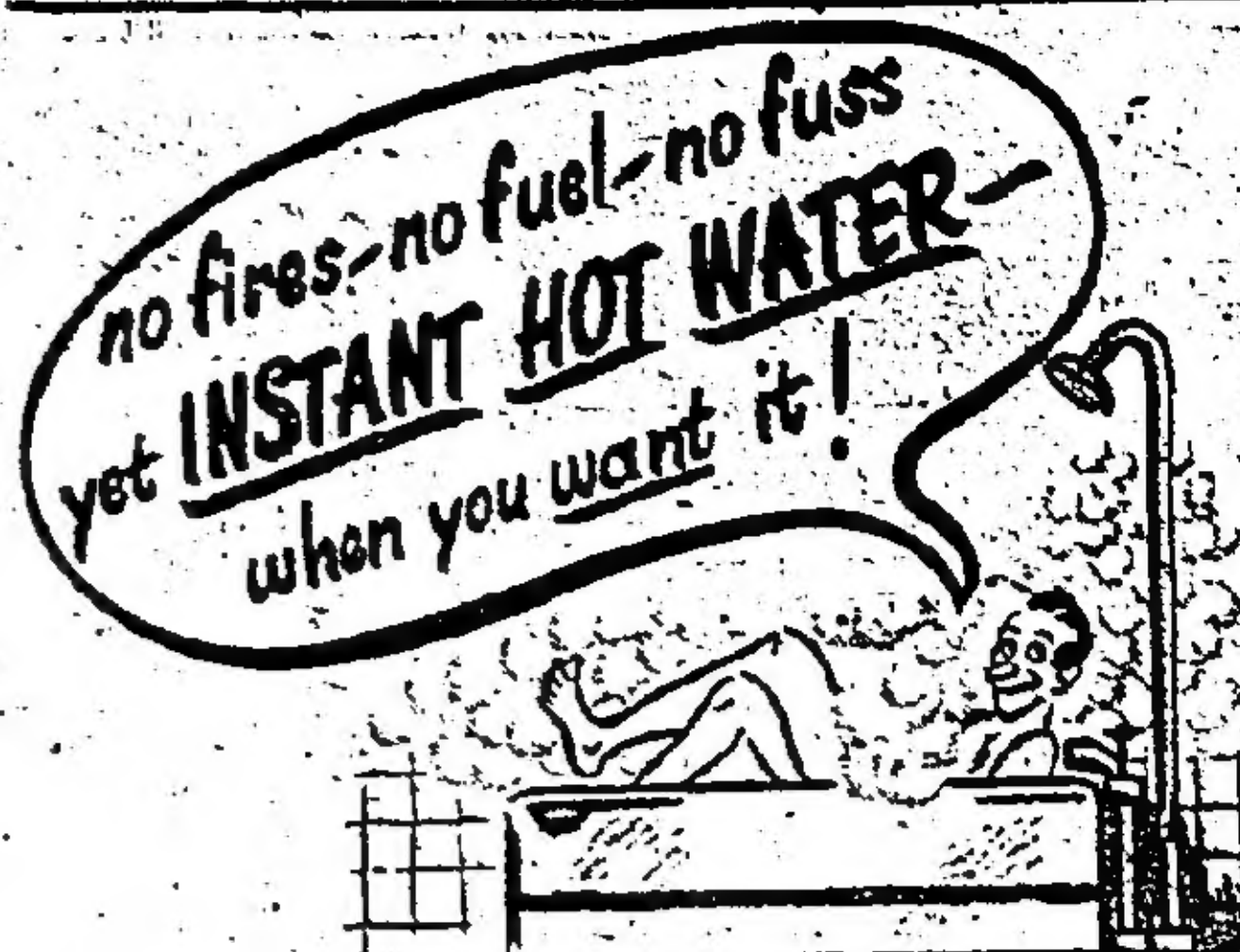
This promises to be a changeable but at the same time a most stimulating and potentially fortunate year. If you have sufficient energy and courage to face up to changes, adjust yourself to difficult situations, you will find that success has come your way before your next birthday.

You will probably be in the mood for changes from now on, but the best time in which to set about them would be February 1950. The business situation may also speed up about that time that you find it easy to take the plunge. If you have been hoping for a new job, and especially if you have been planning to do something on your own responsibility, you may find hand forced late in January or early in February.

Travel stars are strongly placed this year and if you have any ideas of going abroad they will probably work out more successfully than you expected. But journeys would have unexpected results if undertaken in 1949/50. You succeed not in what you set out to do but in something quite different.

Whether or not you travel you will probably move house in 1949/50. A change of environment is essential this year if you are to maintain good health and high spirits. Reshuffles that include the whole family would work out very well.

You will probably be too occupied this year to have much time or thought for romantic problems or intimate relationships. Throughout the year close ties are not likely to be disturbed and, if you marry in 1949/50 it will probably be the result of an engagement now in force. For married people it will be a time of ever widening interests and increasing prosperity.



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rency will not be made available
for the importation of such
goods?

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intelligence be applied to the
situation. Perhaps I might out-
line my method...

I am in charge of the ledger
invoice scheduled castings depart-
ment. We are not a large cog in
the wheel, but even if I do say
it myself, we are an important
one.

There are four of us—Miss
Trumper, Miss Twine, Sedgwick,
and myself. We should be an
efficient team, were it not for
Sedgwick. He seems to regard
his work as a joke. The other day
he put glue inside my paper cuffs.
It took me the whole of the morn-
ing tea break to get them off again.

Miss Trumper and Miss Twine
were good enough to help me, but
all the same this kind of thing is
bad for discipline. I told Sedg-
wick about it, and I must admit
he apologized handsomely. He
said he'd knocked the glue over
by accident. It was only after
wards that I found he had also
put glue around the leather band
of my hat.

But here he comes now—15
minutes late, as usual. In place of
his usual face he is wearing a

greenish thing with knobs under
the ears and unsightly scars
around the mouth.

Miss Trumper and Miss Twine
are busy at their desks. Before
they have time to look up I say
quickly, "Ah, Sedgwick, there you
are—do you know anything about
this £250 deficiency in the pro-



rata reimbursement for the re-
turned empties? I see you've
initialled it."

This is untrue, but it has the
effect of throwing him off balance.
Because of the casual way he
works he cannot be sure that he
is not responsible for the error.

Sedgwick hurries over. I must
say he presents an alarming ap-
pearance. The mask comes right
down over his neck and he's put
his collar and tie round it.

"Where?" he says. "What?"
His voice is curiously muffled.
"Oh, sorry," I tell him. "My
mistake. I've got the wrong file."
I smile at him blandly, giving no
indication that I see anything
strange in his appearance.

Out of the corner of my eye I
perceive that Miss Trumper and
Miss Twine are staring at Sedg-
wick, paralysed with horror.

"Yes, ladies—is anything the
matter?" They start, hearing me address
them in a matter-of-fact voice.
"Mr. Sedgwick—quavers
Miss Twine—"

"It's quite all right," I tell her.
"The mistake was mine." I've gone
mad. So does Miss Trumper. I
don't know what Sedgwick thinks,
and I don't care. He's being
boiled alive in a rubber bag, and
I don't believe he's going to be
able to find any means of taking
it off.

If, for instance, I was lying flat
on my back, overcome with terror,
Sedgwick could rip off his collar
and tie, and then the mask, with
some such remark as, "Cowardly
astute, it's only me," but since
I'm sitting brightly at my desk,
apparently seeing nothing strange
in the situation, he doesn't know
what to do.

He decides to leave the room.
As he reaches the door I tell him.
"By the way, Mr. Murchison
phoned. He said it was urgent.
He was surprised not to find you
at your desk."

Then I play my trump card.
Sedgwick is having some difficulty
with Mr. Murchison. Mr. Murchi-
son not knowing what he wants
and Sedgwick being unable to hear
clearly through his rubber ears.
Suddenly I give a piercing
scream. "Look out!" I cry—
"what's that? At Sedgwick's
desk! Frankenstein!"

I throw myself upon Sedgwick,
and clasp him round the neck,
shouting for help.

Miss Twine and Miss Trumper
spring to their feet. They've been
waiting for this for some time, but
now it comes their turn. They try
to get out of the window.
The alarm bells begin to ring.
Everyone comes running from the
other offices. The fireman ap-
pears, trundling a hose. And Mr.
Murchison steams in, already
maddened by his incomprehen-
sible, and abruptly concluded,
conversation with Sedgwick.

The confusion is indescribable,
until the fireman stuns Sedgwick
with an extinguisher.

I lean forward and peel off his
mask. "Ah—Sedgwick!" I ex-
claim. "Why, I thought you'd
been transferred to Accounts!"

Next morning, of course, when
Miss Trumper, Miss Twine, and
young Sedgwick report for duty,
I am wearing the Frankenstein
mask. They look at me with
astonishment. Sedgwick has a
hunted look. There will be no
more trouble from that quarter
for at least a couple of weeks.

Do communicate with me im-
mediately if you are having indus-
trial troubles of your own in fac-
tory, office or workshop. I feel
sure we can find some happy
solution.

I seem to have a fair for these
things, that's all.

Appointment
With Panic

It can't be a year since I saw
him last. Not a whole year.
Anything might have happened in
a year. Perhaps if I blew hard
they might all fall out into my
lap. I shan't try.

What's that black spot? Don't
tell me. It can't be! Oh, good,
it's only a tea-leaf. A relief
breakfast. That's better. A solid
front of ivory castles.

But what lies behind? When I
get there he'll lean over me and
he'll reach for THE DRILL!
I know there's nothing to it.
But suppose an accident happened
—just one chance in 10,000. Sup-
pose the drill broke! Suppose it
snapped off, half-way down and
the broken piece got stuck in my
jaw. The dentist would lose his
head.

"Quick—morphia—put him
under!" The assistant screams.
The dentist rushes to his cabinet
and shoves his hand right through
the glass. Nearly cuts his thumb
off. He snaps round the room,
sucking it.

In the chair I say, very, very
calmly, "Get—another—dentist—
The—drill—"

"I can't!" he yells—"they're all
on holiday! And the drill is
osifying in your jaw! Gosh!" he
roars to the assistant, "and mind
his heart. I'll have to knock it
out with my left hand!"

I put my foot on his chest and
throw him back into his cabinet.
A reeking rubber mask is crushed
down over my face.

After this I think perhaps I'll
make it a two-year interval.
There is no sense in running un-
necessary risks.

What the CHINESE PRESS is saying

Local Education

KUNG SHEUNG YAT PO: The
future of education in Hong
Kong will be bright as Govern-
ment has noted its errors of the
past.

But it is not only the quality
that should be improved. We
must also pay active attention
to the question of quantity by
increasing the number of schools.
To have only a few public
schools for a city with 2,000,000
population is absurd.

Government listed two prob-
lems concerning the develop-
ment of education: shortage of
school premises and shortage of
teachers. We are of the opinion
that these are not difficult
problems, as there is land which
can be used for building schools
and schools damaged during the
war can be repaired.

The question of funds may be
raised, but has the Government
ever proposed a gigantic educa-
tion budget which was turned
down by the Legislative Council?

We may assume that the
question of funds is hindering
the development of education. If
this is the case, we suggest that
a special tax for education could
be raised by adding a certain
percentage on income tax, profits
tax and the estate duty tax, etc.
If the Government is determined
to develop education, there will
always be ways and means to
raise the necessary funds.

We suggest that the following
principles should be adopted.
All Hong Kong residents should
have a chance to receive educa-
tion. Government should es-
tablish a number of primary
and secondary schools in the
districts according to the num-
ber of residents there.

All primary schools should be
free of fees. The secondary ones
may collect a reasonable fee for
tuition. Compulsory education
should be put into effect. Chil-
dren of school age should not be
allowed to roam about the streets
during school hours. At the
same time, those parents who
fail to send their children to
school should be punished.

If this is done, we are certain
that within five years, there will
be no illiterate people in Hong
Kong, and juvenile delinquency
will be greatly reduced.

Devaluation Effects

WAH KIU YAT PO: As it
has been pointed out by Govern-
ment, that the internal value of
the Hong Kong dollar will not
change following the devaluation
of Sterling, there is no reason
for any rise in prices of articles.

This argument will not be ac-
cepted by unscrupulous mer-
chants who are always on the
look out for chances to enrich
themselves at the expense of the
public. Such people should be
carefully watched to prevent
them raising prices indiscrimi-
nately under the pretext of de-
valuation.

There are two effective
measures which Government can
adopt: one is to ban speculation
in foreign exchange—and the
other is to strengthen control on
commodity prices. Government
has much experience in establis-
hing prices and it is to be ex-
pected that measures will soon be
taken to deal with market con-
ditions arising out of devalua-
tion.

The co-operation of local mer-
chants is an indispensable factor
in the effect of devaluation on
Hong Kong is to be nullified.

New Territories Rent

WAH KIU YAT PO: It is
said that the residents in the
New Territories are preparing to
petition the Government to stop
the collection of rates there.
Their arguments are:

Most of the houses are occu-
pied by the owners and there are
no rents derived from them.
They have already paid estate
and stamp duties and can hardly
afford to pay rates again.

Most of the houses are left to
them as legacies and the finan-
cial position of some is so ad-
verse today that to add the
charge of rates to their burden
would merely hasten their bank-
ruptcy.

Even town people derive no
rents from their houses. In the
New Territories as they are not
charged, people would not want
to build houses in the New Ter-
ritories and the building trade
would be seriously affected.

Before attempting to collect
rates in the New Territories,
Government should provide the
residents with pipe water, elec-
tric lights, hospitals and better
communications.

Of the five arguments, the last
deserves our sympathy as it is
only fair that Government should
charge rates in proportion to the
services made available.

No Remedy

HWA SEIANG PAO: The British
Labour Government may not
have been willing, but after two
years' delay the devaluation of
the English pound has finally
become a fact under American
pressure.

This clearly explains that the
purpose of the economic talks
between America, Great Britain
and Canada was not to relieve
the shortage of American dollars
in Great Britain but to apply
pressure on the British Labour
Government to offset a Wall
Street crisis arising out of its
rotten-to-the-core economy.

Sir Stafford Cripps and Mr.
Beveridge have now flung the doors
of the British Empire wide open
to American capital and for Brit-
ish materials of strategic value to
be exported.

Wall Street did not actually
press Britain at the conference
table to devalue her currency,
but forced her into it by means of
speeches delivered by both the
President of the World Bank and
the American Finance Minister
at the Joint Annual Meeting of
the World Bank and the Inter-
national Monetary Fund.

The outcome was: 28 hours
after Sir Stafford Cripps's return
to England, devaluation of the
English pound by 30.5 per cent
of its original value was an-
nounced. The immediate result of
this was a 40 per cent increase in
the price offered by the
Labour Government in ex-
change for a paltry amount of
American aid.

The immediate result of de-
valuation will be a drastic
increase in the cost of living in
Britain. Sir Stafford Cripps told the
British people plainly that within a
fortnight they will have to pay
5d. instead of 4d. for a loaf of
bread. This means a disaster to
the British people.

In the explanation given by the
Labour Government, devaluation
has been resorted to as a means
to tide over the shortage of
American dollars and to balance
income and expenditure through
pushing British exports to dollar
countries and thus earn more
American dollars.

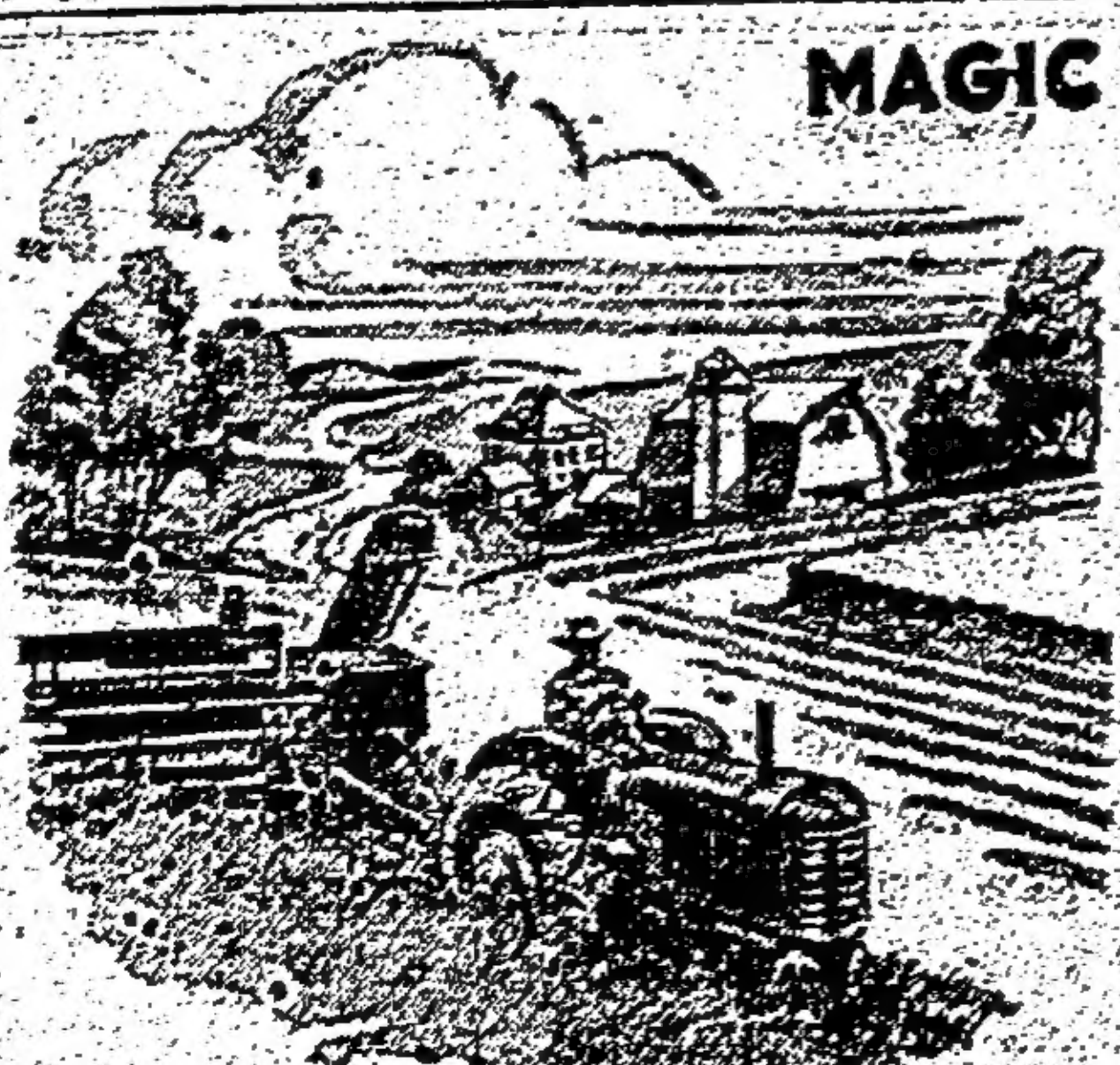
But it is a contradiction of the
highest degree to encourage
American investment in sterling
areas on the one hand and to
hope to earn more American dol-
lars on the other.

Through devaluation, Britain is
able to draw U.S.\$325,000,000
from the International Monetary
Fund, but at the same time she
will become the dumping ground
for surplus American products.
This will be the case, it is
plain that devaluation will serve
no remedy in relieving Britain's
economic crisis.

All it can do is to lighten the
American chain of surplus, on
Britain and to aggravate and
deepen differences existing be-
tween the two countries.

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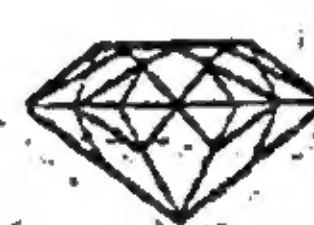
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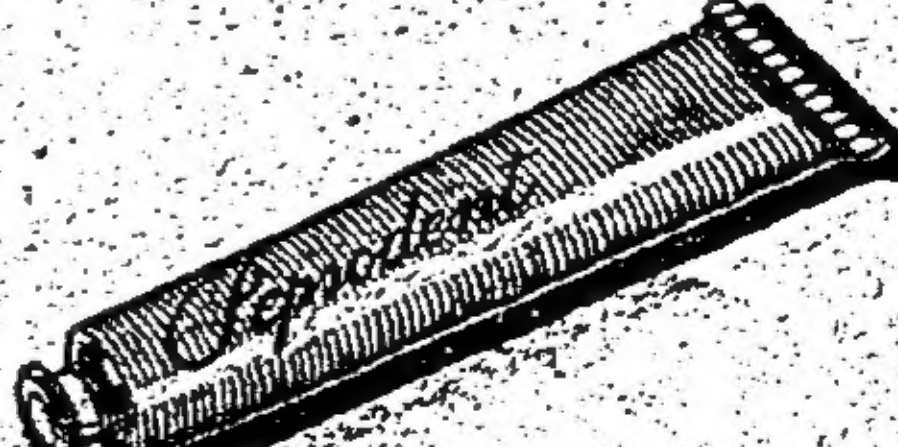


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French Backing For Germany In United Nations

Flushing, September 23.

France today told the United Nations that she believes her ancient enemy, Germany, should be admitted to the newly-formed Council of Europe.

The French Foreign Minister, M. Robert Schuman, told the General Assembly that the German people hold their fate in their own hands under their new constitution and the Bonn Government.

"The German experiment is still at the initial stage," he said. "Events will show whether the Germans are able to cope with the responsibilities which have been restored to them and to prepare their future in order and liberty. The rhythm of subsequent evolution will depend on the result of that experiment. Our hope is that Germany will enter upon a path which will enable her to regain her place in the community of free nations, beginning with that European community fore-shadowed by the Council of Europe."

M. Schuman called for a permanent international regime in Jerusalem under the control of the United Nations. He said France favours:

1. A "go slow" policy on independence for the former Italian colonies, since the population of these territories have not yet reached a sufficient degree of evolution to make it desirable for them to be independent now.

2. Conclusion by the major powers of the Austrian peace treaty before the elections in that country, due for October 9, and the admission of Austria into the United Nations.

Italy's Colonies

3. Continuance of the Balkan Commission on neutrality of Greece's neighbours in that country's war with Communist guerrillas.

4. France considers it her duty to protest against the existence of certain police regimes that give no guarantee whatever to the individual. This is generally assumed to be a reference to Hungary, Rumania and Bulgaria.

M. Schuman was particularly emphatic in his request that the plan to give independence to certain Italian colonies, notably Libya, be implemented slowly.

He recalled that in the past France had favoured a trusteeship system for the Italian colonies.

"However," he continued, "since that solution has been rejected, France is ready to examine any other solution, but thinks it is essential, in the interest of these territories as well as the general interest, that independence should not be given them before they have attained the necessary point of evolution."

Palestine

On Palestine, he pointed out that, as part of the general settlement, something must be done for the Arab refugees. UN Palestine Commission was not able to do much for the refugees, as a consequence of the unjustified distrust of certain governments.

The Palestine settlement should include free access to Holy Places and the international regime should entail demilitarisation of the region and guarantee of autonomy for different groups.

"The French delegation will remain faithful to those principles when the question will be discussed, but will attach itself more to the obtaining of practical results that are to the satisfaction of judicial requisites," United Press.

India Rejects Plan To Arbitrate Issue

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There was only one brief letter from Pakistan in the correspondence released today. This informed the Commission that the Pakistan Government agreed to the course of action proposed by the Commission in their memorandum on arbitration.

The correspondence ended with two letters from the Commission to the Indian and Pakistan Governments, announcing its decision to report back to the Security Council.

It also contained the Commission's memorandum, first published about two weeks ago, suggesting that the two Governments should agree to submit differences concerning the implementation of the truce in Kashmir to the arbitration of Admiral Chester Nimitz, who would decide those questions with equity, and whose decision would be binding on both parties.

Regarding the choice of an Arbitrator, the Government of India replied to the Commission that they did not feel called upon to comment on it at this stage.

The Government of India added: "The stage for that will be after the points for arbitration have been precisely defined and accepted by the Governments of India and Pakistan."—Reuter.

Lowell Thomas Injured In Tibet

New York, September 23. Mr. Lowell Thomas, 57-year-old broadcaster and author, has been injured seriously in a fall from a horse in the wild mountains of Tibet, his office said today.

The U.S. Air Force has been asked to rescue Mr. Thomas, who is carrying a message from the Dalai Lama to President Truman.

A radio message from Mr. Thomas said he was thrown from a horse in a 17,000-foot Himalaya pass three days after he and his son, Thomas Jr., aged 25, left the Tibetan capital of Lhasa. Mr. Thomas was carried for six days by litter to the remote town of Gyatse, where an Indian doctor treated him. He was described as in great pain.—Associated Press.

PAKISTAN TRADE POLICY

Karachi, September 23.

The Pakistan Government is giving urgent attention to the formulation of a new trade and tariff policy in a bid to combat competition in dollar markets due to the devaluation of many world currencies.

The new tariff policy, expected to be announced before the end of next week, is designed to protect the country's earnings of foreign currency, especially dollars, by restricting imports.

The new import schedule is likely to bring heavier duties on non-essential luxury goods so that the Pakistan Exchequer shall be compensated for its losses in reduced export duties which, in turn, are expected to be a source of certain especially in the case of commodities destined for hard currency areas.

Trade sources here said that Pakistan's export trade, consisting mainly of essential raw materials, is in a strong position to withstand India's competition which is now keen in dollar markets.

However, the new tariff policy is expected to grant concessions to exportable jute, tea, wool, hides and skins.

At the same time, the raw cotton export trade which, with Soviet Russia emerging as a big buyer of Pakistan cotton, is basically sound, is likely to be granted an appreciable reduction in duties to maintain its pre-eminence in Indian markets, the sources quoted said.

These momentous decisions, stated to be in the offing, are expected to place Pakistan's economy on a new and stronger footing.—Reuter.

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VYSHINSKY ATTACKS CHINESE DELEGATE

Flushing Meadow, September 23.

Speaking in the United Nations General Assembly session tonight, Mr. Andrei Vyshinsky, Soviet Foreign Minister, attacked a Chinese Nationalist Government delegate, Mr. T. F. Tsiang, for "sordid insinuations and slanderous attacks on the Soviet Union."

Mr. Tsiang yesterday denounced "Soviet imperialism" and asked the Assembly to consider the Communist-inspired "storm" now raging in China.

"By distorting facts and making insinuations against the U.S.S.R., Mr. Tsiang has given proof of one thing only—of the beastly hatred of the foundering reactionary Chinese circles which he represents for everything advanced and truly democratic," Mr. Vyshinsky said.



M. VYSHINSKY

Mr. Vyshinsky attacked the North Atlantic Pact which he said had been created on the initiative of the United States and Britain, and was "nothing but the undermining of the United Nations."

He said that the real meaning of the North Atlantic Alliance was the carrying out of military measures directed towards the preparation of a new war.

The Marshall Plan had meant the splitting of Europe into two camps, and had not only failed to improve the economy of Western Europe but had undermined it completely.

"Unemployment is known to have increased and is continuing to grow in the United States, where the number of unemployed is over 4,000,000," he said.

"In contrast to the existing situation in the Western European countries, which bear the brunt of the so-called Marshall Plan aid, the Soviet Union and the countries of the People's Democracies are successfully fulfilling their plans for the rehabilitation and further development of national economies."

"Dictation"

The United States and British policy towards weakening and undermining the United Nations was the principal reason for the absolutely unsatisfactory state of affairs in the Security Council, the Atomic Energy Commission, the Commission on Convention Armaments, the Military Staff Committee and the Economic and Social Council, Mr. Vyshinsky said.

In all these bodies the United States and Britain were relying on an obedient majority and were trying to dictate their decisions on other States.

As a result, the Atomic Energy Commission had for almost four years not been carrying out the decisions of the General Assembly aimed at the prohibition of atomic weapons and the establishment of international control over atomic energy in order to prevent its use for purposes of war.

"Such a situation arose in the Atomic Energy Commission as a result of continuous attempts on the part of the United States and Britain to impose on the Com-

mission their plan for international control which no nation, cherishing its independence and national sovereignty, would agree to."

An improvement of the situation in the United Nations was possible "only provided all the members of the organization observed the Charter and its principles."

"War Propaganda"

The United States and Britain were "carrying on a frantic armaments race, inflating military budgets, establishing ever new military bases on the territories of other States and taking other measures for the preparation of a new war."

"And all this is accompanied by unbridled war propaganda, which is being encouraged by these Governments," Mr. Vyshinsky declared.

In the United States, direct appropriations for military purposes in 1950 were 12 times as great as the military appropriations in the years directly preceding the second World War.

"Today, the armaments race is also characteristic of Great Britain, where budget expenditures for military purposes are growing year by year and where General's slogan 'Guns instead of Butter' has received, at the present time, a wide circulation in the ruling circles."

"The United States and Britain have created joint Military Staffs consisting of the representatives of the State members of aggressive blocs which are now busily drafting plans for a new war, giving a prominent part in those plans to atomic weapons on which the warmongers are pinning their main hopes."

"World Domination"

"It is surprising that this being the position the United States of America and Great Britain are refusing to conclude Conventions for the prohibition of atomic weapons, preferring to do without such Conventions in order to have a free hand."

"It will be recalled that civilised nations had long ago condemned the use of poison gas in wartime for the mass annihilation of human beings and had renounced the use of such a weapon."

"As far as atomic weapons are concerned, however, the Governments of the United States of America and Great Britain do not agree to follow this path and to renounce the use of this weapon of aggression, intended for the mass annihilation of people."

Banging his fist on the rostrum, Mr. Vyshinsky declared: "Such is the policy of the United States and Great Britain, designed to achieve world domination."

Mr. Vyshinsky continued: "While carrying out its foreign

policy, the Soviet Union invariably fights for the cause of peace and exposes the incendiaries of a new war, who are trying to hurl upon the peaceful nations new and yet more terrible disasters."

Peace Pact Proposal

"The Soviet delegation, on the instructions of the Soviet Government, calls upon the General Assembly to take, on its part, measures aimed at strengthening peace and eliminating the threat of a new war, that is being prepared by the aggressive blocs of the United States and Great Britain."

Mr. Vyshinsky then submitted his proposals, consisting of three points. These were:

- (1) That it condemn the "preparations of a new war which are being conducted in a number of countries, particularly in the United States and Britain."
- (2) Ban atomic weapons and other means of mass destruction as "incompatible with the conscience and honour of nations and with membership in the United Nations."
- (3) That the Assembly unanimously express the wish that the United States, Britain, China, France and the Soviet Union "join their efforts to ward off the 'threat of a new war', and conclude between themselves a pact for the strengthening of peace."

At the end of the speech Mr. Ernest Bevin, Mr. Dean Acheson and Mr. Robert Schuman, the British, United States and French Foreign Ministers, joined in the applause.

At no time during his speech today did Mr. Vyshinsky refer to the atomic explosion in Russia which President Truman reported, nor did he make any references to the Soviet Union possessing the atomic bomb.—Reuter.

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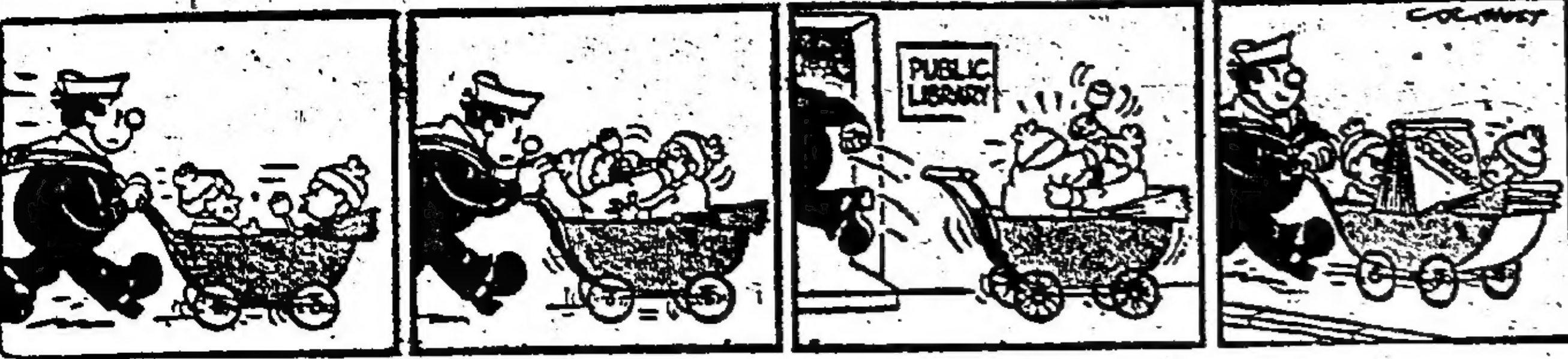
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The New German Capital

By JOHN FISHER

Anna Lessmah, the beetroot woman of Bonn, is an unhappy creature. For the past 30 years, dressed in an old apron and bedroom shoes, she has been selling beetroot, bunches of bananas, red cabbage, onions and fine German greenhouses in the market place of Bonn, the Rhineland town where Beethoven was born.

"And now they want to make it the capital of Germany," she wailed. "See if I'm not right. It means we'll be turned out of our market place to make a park for British and American cars of people staying in there," and she pointed over to the luxury Hotel am Goldenen Stern at one corner of her domain.

"This old market place is the heart of Bonn. It will kill our town to take it away."

Telling Cartoon

Yet Bonn is where the Senate and House of Commons of the new Republic of Germany celebrated their first birthday.

When the burgers of Frankfurt first heard that old world Bonn might become the capital of the new German State they printed a cartoon showing how all the offices would have to be housed in tottering attics and in the nooks.

And perhaps the cartoonist was not so very far wrong. For part of the new State Chancellery will have to be housed in the Koenig Museum along with dozens of stuffed frogs, humming birds and a pair of giraffes, for which no space can be found elsewhere.

At the cost of a £1,000,000 the Germans are still engaged on turning their former teachers' Academy into a building to house some of the buildings in days.

It is a fantastic achievement even if (as is probable) the whole place still looks as untidy as a film set on opening day.

It has all been a huge gamble. Last February an Aachen architect Dr. Schuppert, who had specialised in church architecture, and his assistant Stefan Leuer, an engineering specialist, were told to start planning and building Germany's Whitehall simultaneously. And they were told to build "on spec."

That is if it happened that Frankfurt after all was chosen as the West German capital, the magnificent rooms would have to be used as Beethoven concert halls, or as a part of the university.

The floor of the great hall where Germany's 400 representatives met was laid on April 1. The building, 30 per cent bigger than the old Reichstag, was finished within a month. Naturally, it is all air-conditioned.

Two vast wings were put up in 14 days. When fully-fashioned, they will house offices for the representatives, conference rooms, library, State printing and binding house, broadcasting studio, and other modern paraphernalia.

A 1,000-cover restaurant was put up in 10 days.

Bedlam

For days there has been bedlam in this mushroom capital as floor polishing machines screamed across the parquet tangle with uncharted electric light wires.

Outside the main entrance to the State buildings an enterprising caravan salesman has set up his stall to show how you can get office accommodation including desk, wardrobe, four beds, electric light, ice box, and delivery in eight days by going to his firm.

A vast sickle-like drive is being cut from the main Parliament entrance to the nearest main road through some former allotments. Obstinate German rhubarb still crops up in some places.

The building, mainly in white, set almost right on the left bank of the Rhine, looks almost sacred because of its immense length. Vast facades of glass give it a modern but not over modern look.

Before our eyes the Rhine streams along from right to left and a hard job the barges have to get by against the stream. Rowing and canoe clubs are dotted along the foot of the Federal Republic gardens.

Inside the chamber the Germans have installed the most modern equipment and six different radio programmes can be broadcast from the chamber at the same time.

Britons Out

All of Bonn is being made as German as possible. Belgian soldiers who have been occupying it have been asked to evacuate all buildings. The three Western Allies have agreed not to take any accommodation in the city itself.

As usual, the poor old Briton seems to have come out badly from the struggle for existence.

We have been allotted six blocks of a much bombed Luftwaffe barracks at Wahn airfield, which have only quite recently been repaired. The barracks are 15 miles from Bonn as the crow flies and a good deal further by car drive, which, incidentally, lands you on the wrong side of the river, at present to be crossed only by ferry.

British staff have been told there is no room for them to bring their wives. British quarters are surrounded by barbed wire.

Your life and Mine

by IRIS ASHLEY

You were back in town last week, weren't you? So were we. Overhead the sky was heavy and looked as if it was about to fall on us.

The official seaside holiday was over, too, for the family in whose house I was lunching. And, of course, school hasn't started yet either.

"What can we do this afternoon?" asked 11-year-old Tessa in the voice of one who sees the future as a hopeless void.

Her father gazed blandly at her mother; his eye held only a mild inquiry. He knew what he was going to do all right. He was going to a board meeting.

At that moment, 12-year-old David came through the door and landed on his chair at the table. (Have you noticed how children do that? They alight from full flight, like a bird on to a branch.)

"I say, what on earth can we do?" he asked the world in general.

The family provider started to reach into his pocket. "No!" said their mother. "No more movies. They've seen everything fit for children, and I will not have them watching stories of turgid Love-in-the-Tropics or grisly psychological murders." "Lovely blood!" said her good-looking offspring in unison.

Sensibly ignoring this, she eyed them speculatively for a minute. Then she asked if they would like to paint some furniture.

It seemed there were some bedroom chairs that could do with a new coat of paint. The idea was an instant success.

"Red?" "Yellow?" they said, together again.

"White!" was the answer. Agreement was reached that they should take only two chairs to start with, one to be prepared for painting, and while it dried, etc., the other to be treated; then the first painted by both together, and so on. That way they would really get done, and there was to be a feast for the finished article if well done—otherwise 6d.

"I hope you weren't thinking of doing all this in my dressing-room?" remarked the F.P. "Well, I'm sure it's a matter of fact. I was... I mean, where else? They can't do it on the street and in the kitchen there's the food."

"Christmas!" said the F.P. "Don't mind me. I only live here," and he went.

There is a limit to children's patience, and they were not asked to do a 100 per cent professional job. But they scrubbed the old paintwork till it was clean, then they sand-papered as best they could, then put on two coats of white glossy paint.

They used a lot of newspapers and a whole bottle of turpentine (some of it for getting paint off the damndest places). Surpris-

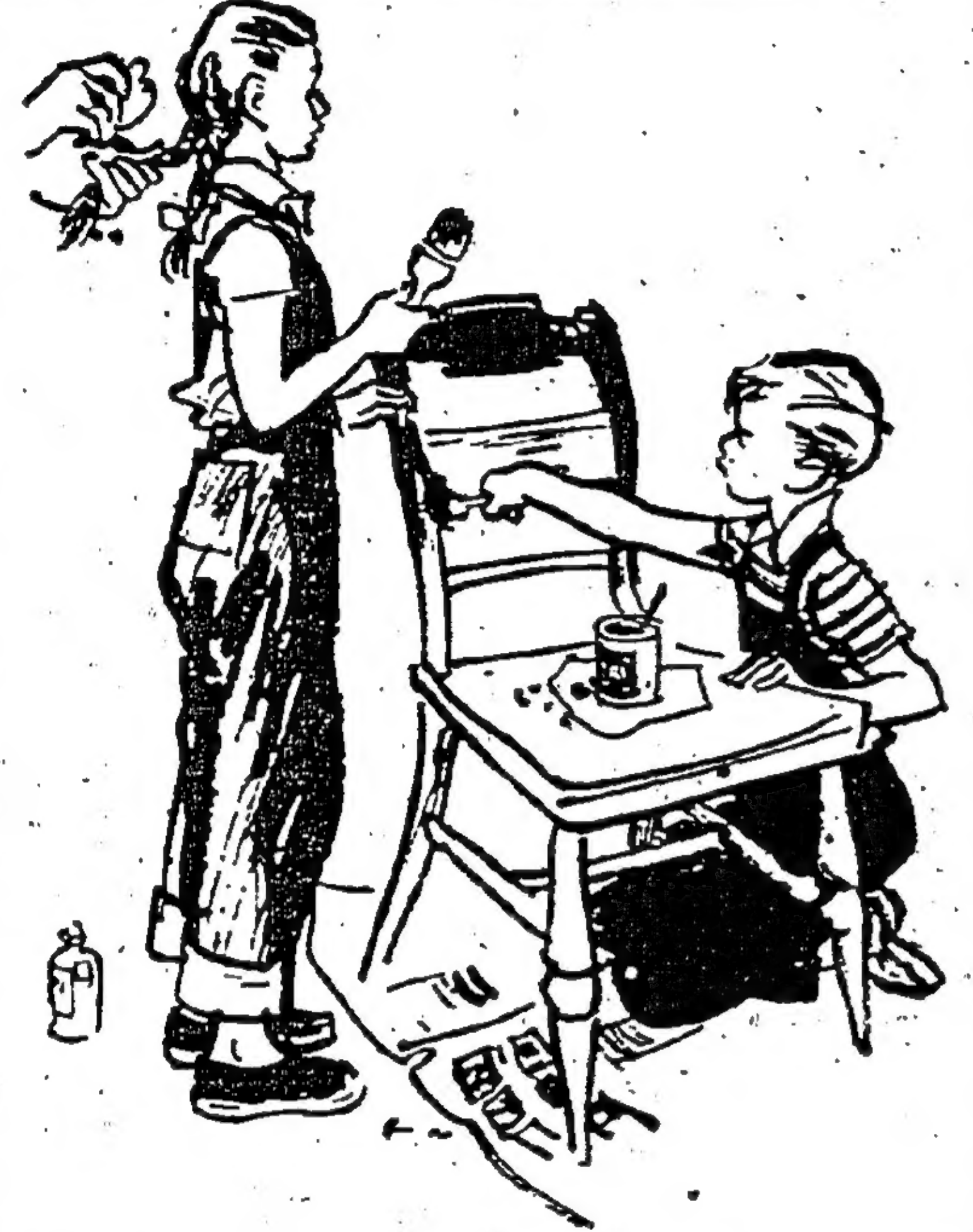
ingly, they made a neat job of it in the end. So their mother got them some of those attractive picture transfers you can buy for decorating painted furniture.

The whole thing set me thinking about how much is missed by children who are not taught to use their hands. It is a natural cause and effect of this machine age to make as little physical effort as possible.

A very frustrating attitude for the young who have so much energy to expend. Surely they

child should be made an unpaid drudge around the house. Any mother worth her salt should be able to get a little pleasant voluntary assistance from her young; that is all. That our children did not ask to be born is something constantly to bear in mind.

However, I do think we might encourage children to rely less on button-pushing and more on themselves. Allow your little girl to do some real cooking; it will be awful at first, but pays dividends in the end.



Posters On Kine: Pictures On Credit

Do you remember those frantic dashes across the French-Spanish border not so long ago? Now, it seems that the famous Hendaye-Irun frontier in Spain has been thrown open day and night in order to speed, on their way the hundreds of tourists who wish to explore the Iberian peninsula.

William Stutter says that Irun has not known such traffic for at least 15 years.

Going back to that time, he recalls the frightful battle for Irun in the autumn of 1936. At that time, tourists to the French Cote Basque had no desire to enter Spain. They just looked across the river Bidasoa where Spaniards fought Spaniards, and quite a number of enterprising people made quite a lot of money on Hendaye Plage, hiring out field glasses and telescopes for so much a peep.

But now, happily, Irun has been rebuilt and beckons to the tourists. Stutter reports that what with students and tourists, there has been no such invasion of Spain since before the civil war.

dren to earn holiday money for themselves, not as a family chore), the way children of all income groups do in America? Let them help out in shops (I know a boy who is having the time of his life helping to sell model trains) for just a few hours a day; they can join the milk rounds, sell newspapers, take old folks dogs for walks, mind younger children.

I have seen this all in action, and it is wisely controlled by parents it is a great success. It keeps them busy and happy, earns spending money in a hard world, and in short provides one clear answer about what to do. Lastly I must tell you that I called on David and Tessa's parents last night. Their father told me:

"The kids washed the car today. They got a bit wet, but it looks better than I expected. Only cost me a shilling too!" "I'm sure the TUC wouldn't like it," I said. "Did you stand over them with a whip?"

Fondly he grinned at his children. "They bullied me into allowing it," he said.

"And tomorrow," said David dreamily, "we are going to eat two shillingsworth of ice cream!"

Teach your young son to mend everything around the house—from fuses, door handles, to washers on taps—and pay small sums for what is done.

It's not so much the money as the idea that taking trouble to do the thing properly brings its just reward.

And talking about earning money, it's not such a bad thing at all for youngsters to earn their own pocket money. Why not encourage more of our chil-

don't need the escapism of the cinema, the predigested thinking of the radio?

Children, I am convinced, get an immense satisfaction from personal achievement; and the cry, "What shall we do?" comes from an overdose of leisure. They are not asking so much to be entertained as to learn the means of entertaining themselves.

Entertainment to a child is not necessarily the purely frivolous spending of time. It is more the happy occupying of his attention and interest.

In fact, an intelligent child of around 11 to 15 gets immense pleasure out of doing something productive. ("Useful is a word to be avoided at all costs. Its whole connotation is so unspeakably dull.")

This, I should like to add quickly, doesn't mean I think a

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Letter From Sydney

In his early days of office the Prime Minister Mr. Chifley, somehow managed to acquire a good saleable personality with the ever popular strong-willed-of-the-people role.

This has served him well, permitting a quiet life and ascending his natural laconic and stubborn traits to create an impression of determination.

Many of the able men in Canberra resented the take-it-or-leave-it manner in which members were asked to approve Mr. Chifley's Budget without alteration. Several made an effort to have old age and invalid pensions increased in line with the rising costs of living, but the Treasurer was patient, polite and adamant. The motion was withdrawn, and the Budget went to Parliament precisely as Mr. Chifley had drafted it.

Great disappointment is felt throughout the country at the proposals made by the Prime Minister in this 1949-50 Budget. There is no promise of alleviation of soaring costs of essential commodities, nor are there any proposals which afford any appreciable relief from the abnormal high living costs generally due to the unsound policy being pursued by the Government.

For those who have the know-how, figures will stand up, and down and roll over, or sit up and bark, but the businessmen and taxpayers generally are not entertained by such precocities, at a time when the financial position of the country is in a greater direct and indirect relief.

Although the Budget shows sale tax reductions totalling £2,700,000, commercial firms regard this as not worth bothering about, and it seems that more than probable the public won't notice any difference as the small reduction will be more than offset by recent rises in the basic wage. The Budget leaves income tax rates at their present level, but gives indirect tax benefits totalling £2,650,000.

A Dollar Loan

Mr. Chifley announced that the Government was examining the possibility of a dollar loan to offset the effect on Australia's economy of the current 25 per cent cut in her dollar spending. The Government, he said, recognised that dollar borrowing might present difficulties and generally it had been adverse to increasing Australia's long-term dollar commitments. Gradually he had to admit that there were various possible sources of dollar borrowing, and promised that the matter would be decided in the light of all the circumstances.

Nevertheless it is obvious that despite an estimated fall in the national income of £200 million this year, the Government is not making any realistic effort to cut its expenditure.

National income is falling and producers are facing grave marketing problems, but instead of the long promised Golden Age, the community will carry an even heavier burden than last year. Australia's security and higher living standards, Mr. Chifley said, rested on two main factors—greater use of our indispensable wealth of resources and a larger population.

Enumerating the goals ahead he urged that we accept as a com-

Getting Up Nights Stopped In 24 Hours

Getting up nights, burning sensation of eyes, throat, nose and ears at base of spine, groin and leg pain, nervousness, weakness and loss of vitality, are caused by a disease of the Prostate Gland. It is most important and must be treated. It is not a matter of a few days or weeks, but a matter of long years. It is a disease that is not cured by medicine, but by a special treatment. It is a disease that is not cured by medicine, but by a special treatment. It is a disease that is not cured by medicine, but by a special treatment.

mon aim the future greatness and security of Australia, and the common responsibility that rests with this generation to achieve these things. That is a doctrine to which all good Australians subscribe, but just the same they would put greater energy into developing the country and its indisputable wealth of resources if there was less political humbug.

Even in the little gesture of the gift of another £10 million to Britain which the Budget provided Mr. Chifley showed up badly. Announcing the gift he said that Britain was giving large financial aid to European countries; Australia had a large trade with Western Europe and stood to gain from any further economic improvement there.

Reddest Face

Reddest face in public affairs today belongs to the Deputy Prime Minister, Minister for External Affairs and retiring President of the United Nations General Assembly, Herbert Vere Evatt.

Having maintained a statesman-like calm during the controversy surrounding the undiplomatic methods of the Minister for Immigration, he was working at Lake Success when significantly from the Prime Minister's Department comes the announcement that with the Federal Elections imminent Dr. Evatt's presence is required in Australia.

Moreover it is common knowledge that Mr. Chifley is right behind Mr. Calwell whose methods are even more to be regretted than the policy involved. Many members on both sides of the House feel that the Prime Minister's decision was wrong and that Dr. Evatt should attend the UN meeting. Most decidedly Australia's prestige demands this representation by Dr. Evatt whose unflinching zeal and undoubted success as president of the UN entitle him to the personal satisfaction attached to presiding at his last session.

The Prime Minister's insistence that his deputy should remain in Australia is seen as an admission that Labour must take no chances at the forthcoming elections, and also as an indication of Mr. Chifley's essential insincerity, except in finance.

Much talked of Blair Athol in Central Queensland with its immense seam of coal only a few feet beneath the surface is again in the news. British interests which were to spend £25 million in this field (including a railway and port) to secure 3½ million tons of anthracite a year, have gone cold on the proposition.

The Power & Traction Company of London, one of the interested parties, feels the necessary cash would be difficult to raise privately and that full production could not be obtained before 1955 when the market estimate would be 700,000 tons a year. Suggestions were made for an association of private and Government interests but what will happen remains to be seen. Looks like there is still plenty of coal in Australia which can be mined easily and which is close to the coast, and markets—a natural advantage which Blair Athol does not enjoy. Again there is the possibility of new finds being made near the coast in Queensland, whose production costs would be lower than Blair Athol. Still again there is the Australian miner with his strike complex and his arbitrary fixing of his daily out-put.

Search For Oil

Meanwhile the search for oil goes on, and not far from Blair

Athol the Shell Company after nine years of exploration has decided to put down a deep well, and a rig is now being set up capable of drilling to a depth of 10,000 feet.

There has been much prospecting and boring for oil over a period of many years in various parts of Queensland, and although small quantities of oil and varying quantities of gas have been located nothing like a payable proposition has ever come to the surface. Currently the word 'petrol' still causes politicians to shudder and most are hoping that the solution will come through private interests finding supplies which can be purchased for sterling.

Ampol, a small company, is optimistic about getting enough supplies from non-dollar areas to make up the difference between Canberra's hand-out and present requirements. Question is, if Ampol can find this non-dollar area, why couldn't the world-wide organisations have bestirred themselves. Like as not the price-fixing by the Government is the something which doesn't mix, or maybe they are just satisfied to coast along with their present quota and no selling effort.

Those eternal optimists who dream of a home-ownership scheme, a sign of satisfaction when all land sale controls, including houses and business premises, ended recently. General opinion is that lifting of controls will result in a market in which buyers will have a better opportunity of getting value for their money than has been the case for some years.

Sellers adopt the wait-and-see attitude, and prices being paid for houses are well below former blackmarket figures. With the state thus set for a buyers' market there was a spectacular turn at a select gathering of about 200 people when bidding for a luxury flat rose to £13,100 before the auctioneer dropped his hammer—and mopped his brow.

This is a tremendous price to pay for a flat in Sydney which is still in its infancy even though the second city in the Empire. The flat which comprises seven rooms on the top floor of the Astor in Macquarie Street—originally was obtained by purchasing 3,900 £1 shares in Astor Pty. Ltd.; the recent sale price represented £3,732.28 a share, as against the previous high of 30s for Astor flat.

Although the flat becomes the sole property of the owner there is a charge of £120 a year to include rates, taxes, and upkeep, and a cleaning and restaurant service if required. According to the terms of the sale the buyer also was required to purchase floor coverings, blinds and such for an additional £223, truly a modest figure considering current furnishing costs.

Blood Pressures Mount

Another little episode which set some blood pressures mounting was the auction price of £4,375 paid for a 1940 Dodge taxi-cab in a deplorable condition. The cab which carried a city number plate (remember the number plate, it had been condemned by the Road Transport as unworthy, and the auctioneer pulled no punches when he described the repairs required before authority could be obtained for the vehicle to be used as a taxi. Dealers who before the sale observed the shocking condition of the cab nevertheless predicted that the number plate (remember?) would bring a high figure. How very true and how very high in view of the fact that there is no truth whatsoever in the rumour that

the coveted plate is of hand-wrought platinum.

Of This And That

Prospecting in the Northern Territory John Michael White has had a fortune at his feet for the last three years but only recognised it recently after reading a description of uranium ore. The find is located South of Darwin in what is known as Rum Bungle, but despite the soft impeachment the discovery was not made through the efforts of a geologist, but through the efforts of a prospector.

There's a gentleman in the act as a girl about his age, and well might be considering a foreign competition, considering foreign competition, the Government has established a trading station at Carnarvon, West Australia, where also a big trade in fish processing is being put together. Last week the sweetness of little fish was being relished at Huonville about 25 miles South of Hobart, Tasmania, where fishermen were making up to £40 a day catching whitebait.

But for more than a 1000 years the Eskimos have kept warm and healthy wearing light unbecoming clothing made from the caribou skin. The Eskimos' customary winter wear is two pairs of loose-fitting pyjama-like garments made out of this fur. The inner set is worn with the fur against the skin and the outer set with the fur outwards. Seal skin boots or mukluks and caribou skin hood and gloves complete the outfit—no underclothes, no top coat, no red blanket.

Alexander decided that these Innuit, the Little People of the Arctic, probably know best. Certainly he found their looting for suits the most comfortable Arctic wear.

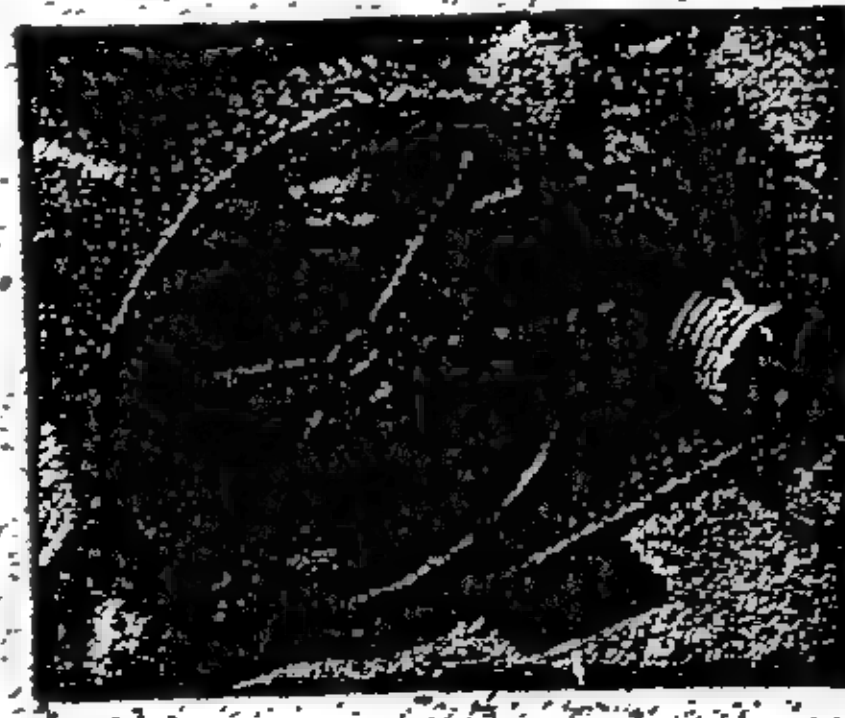
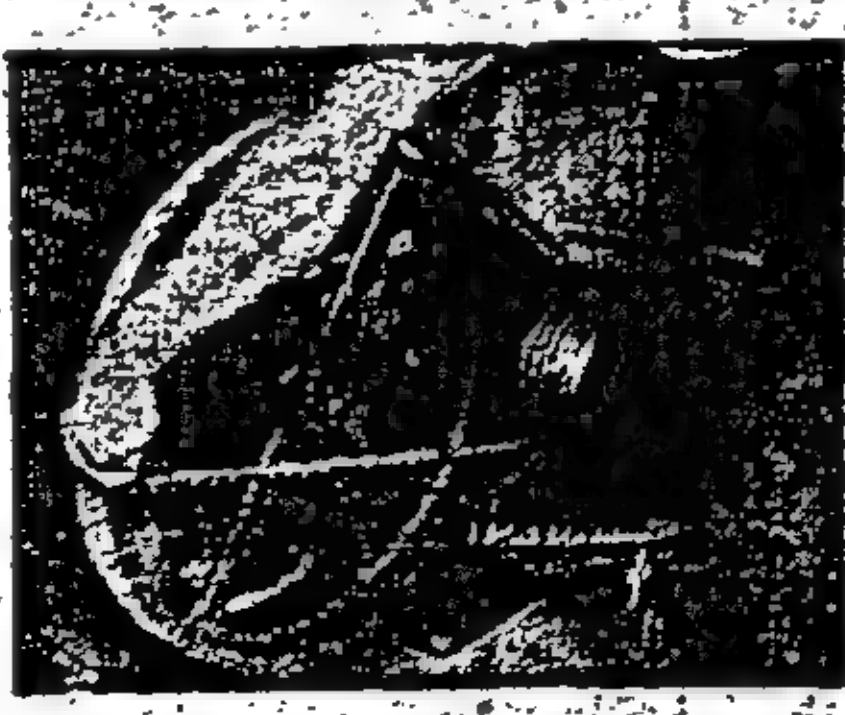
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Old Customs

For three centuries, white explorers going into the Arctic have strapped themselves in layers of red flannel, woolies and eider-down jackets until they could hardly move. With the slightest exertion they perspired so much that their clothes got wet, with no possibility of drying them in the snowy barrens.

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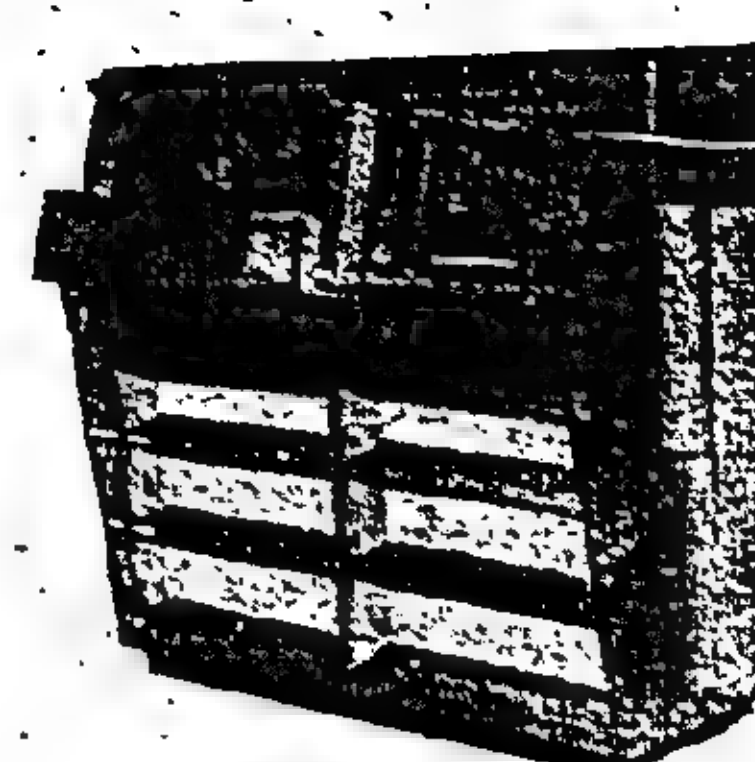
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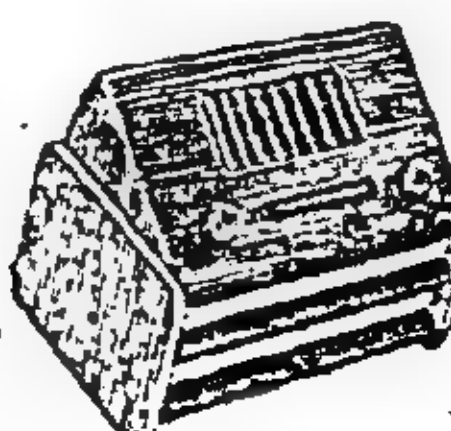
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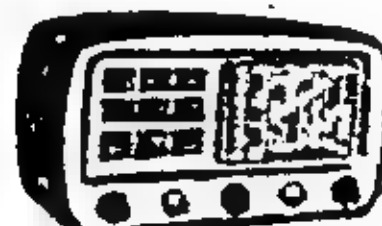


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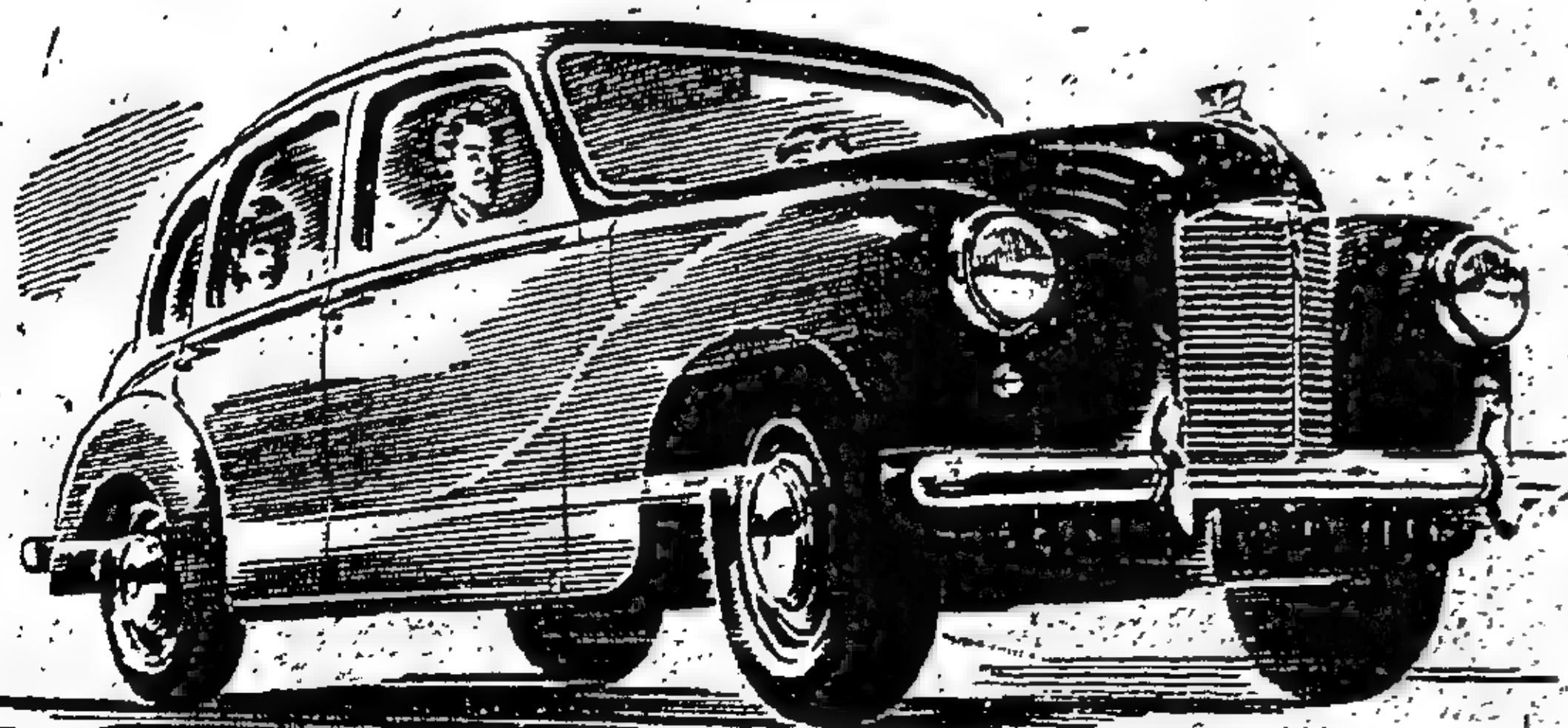
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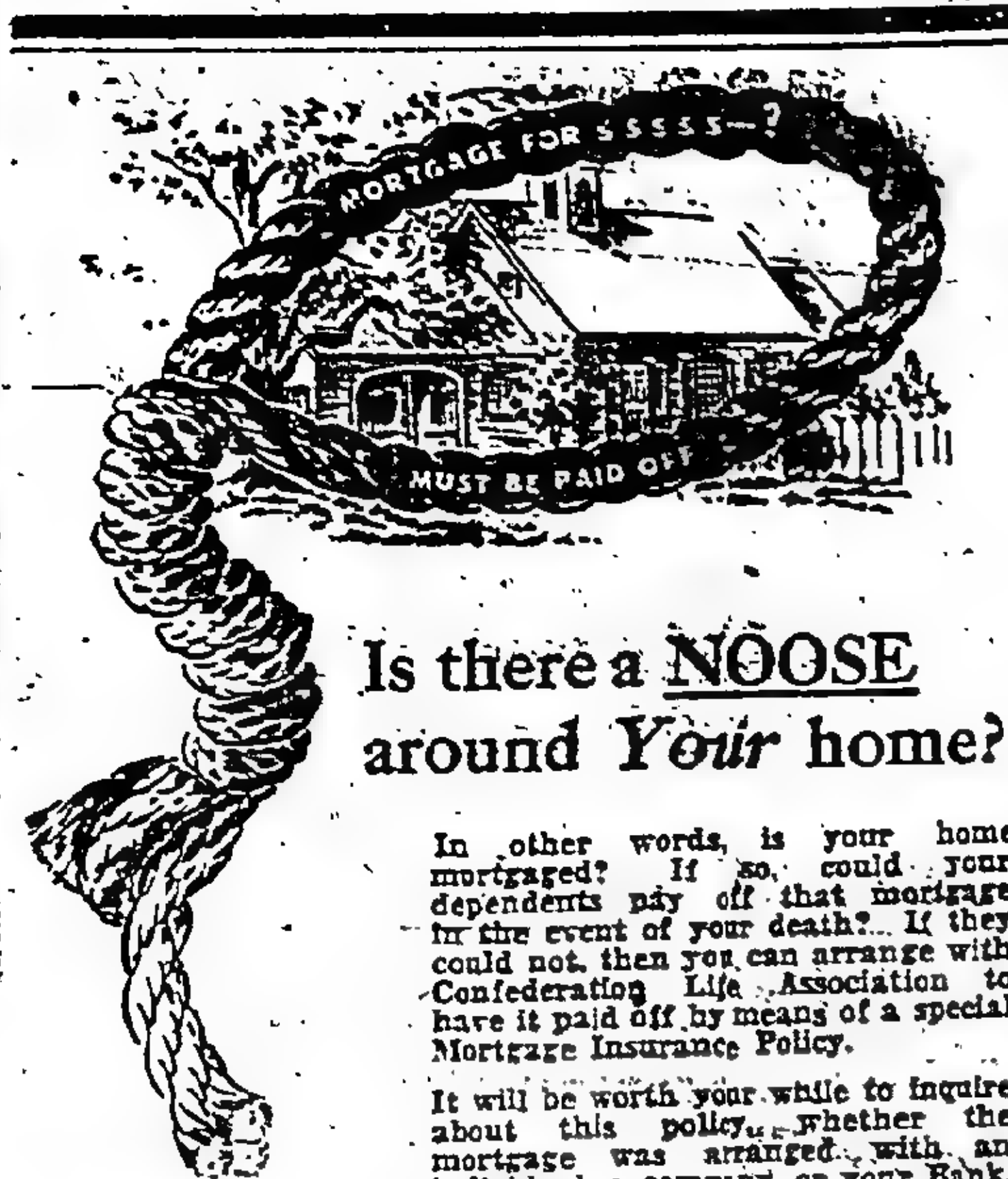
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AGREEMENT ON UNION STATUTE IN INDONESIA

The Hague, September 23. Agreement has been reached in principle on the main points of a union statute to link the Netherlands and Indonesia.

This was announced in a formal statement to the round table conference's steering committee by the Dutch, Republican Indonesian and Federalist Indonesian delegations today.

The three delegations reached agreement in principle on the following five points:

1. The character of the union statute.
2. The position and functions of the heads of the union.
3. The duties and composition of the conference of Ministers of the union partners, which are to be held at regular intervals.
4. The duties and composition of the Court of Arbitration of the union.
5. Contact and regular co-operation between Parliaments of the union partners.

The communication on the three parties' agreement had been submitted by the Working Party of the Political and Constitutional Committee dealing with the preparation of the union statute, the committee stated.

The communication to the Steering Committee said: "Through informal discussions held since the return of the Steering Committee from Nanyang, Belgium, where it held informal discussions over the week-end, the three delegations have agreed in principle on the above points."

Dr. Mohammad Hatta, chairman of the Republican delegation, disclosed in a press conference earlier this week that agreement in substance had been reached on the union but that the duties and position of the Crown were still under discussion. Dr. Hatta avoided the word "Crown" but answered similar questions by using the term "head of the union."

This morning's communiqué did not specify the "positions and functions of the heads of the union." Nor did it explain its plural form.

The Dutch, in an announcement issued the day after Dr. Hatta's statement, showed alarm at Dr. Hatta's reserve regarding the head of the union.

Over the past few days the individual delegations have held intensive discussions about the subject of the head of the union, after which they submitted their views to the Working Party which drew up the communication in which the five points of agreement were laid down.

The new order will next year put the required usage of synthetic rubber at about the minimum legal standards.—Associated Press.

ATTACK ON TITO STEPPED UP

London, September 23. The Communist year-old drive against the Yugoslav Premier, Marshal Tito, has been stepped up by a trebling of radio times devoted by Moscow to broadcasts to Yugoslavia, statistics made available from British official sources here showed tonight.

The statistics disclosed that these broadcasts have been particularly increased since the "note war" between the two countries started this summer.—Reuter.

The four sub-committees of the Financial Economic Committee are dealing with the following subjects:

1. Debts.
2. Concessions and licenses.
3. Trade policy and monetary agreements.
4. Circulation, bank and currency institute.—Associated Press.

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Three-Colour Paint Scheme For Church

Boston-upon-Deane, September 23. The 300-year-old parish church here is being repainted in red, white and blue.

A coat of crimson has been ordered by the Reverend Donald Sparks for eight ancient pews. Walls will be white while the church door and porch will probably be indigo blue.

Shemfield's Diocesan Advisory Board gave its blessing to the experiment. "The idea," the Reverend Sparks explained, "is to get rid of the whitewash atmosphere."

HOPE FOR SOLUTION ON JAVA

Flushing Meadow, September 23. Dr. Dirk U. Stikker, the Foreign Minister of the Netherlands, opening the United Nations general assembly here today, told the delegates that the progress made in the current Rijkse discussions on the Indonesian situation justified the hope that the discussions will lead to a solution.

"My Government is thankful that the parties have come together at this conference and will do everything in its power to attain harmonious and lasting co-operation between the two sovereign States the Kingdom of the Netherlands and the United States of Indonesia, voluntarily united in The Netherlands-Indonesian Union."

Although optimistic about an Indonesian settlement, Dr. Stikker said that he could not view the state of the world with undue confidence and optimism.

"The alarmingly spreading unrest in China is a matter of grave concern for all," he declared. "This unrest may well spread to other parts of Asia and may sow the seeds of economic disruption and political disintegration."

"If the significance of this phenomenon were generally understood, it would be easier jointly to achieve protection against this increasing danger."

Dr. Stikker said that a realistic appraisal of the lack of understanding between the powers fully explained and justified the many regional co-operation agreements signed in the last few years.

The apparent improvement in East-West tension since the last General Assembly session was highly encouraging.

"Undoubtedly, the United Nations has contributed to this lessening of international tension although it would be unrealistic to my mind, to attribute this development exclusively to our organization."—Reuter.

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SUPREME COUNCIL MEETS IN CANTON

Canton, September 23. The Supreme Council met for a long session today with general Chiang Kai-shek in charge, making an intense study of the rapidly developing military and political crises facing Nationalist China.

With the fall of Army minister, the Communist armies increasing their pressure in West Hunan and moving closer daily to the borders of North Kwangtung, the Council is also faced with the problem of long-range programmes for the South West and the North West.

Chiang Kai-shek returned to Canton last night from Chungking, making a brief stop-over at Kungming, presumably to confer with Governor Lu Han on the new Yunan situation.

He took over the role of active Chairman of the Council, for the time being, but it is not known how long he will remain here.

Aside from discussions on purely military problems, the Generalissimo reported on his month-long efforts in Yunan and Szechuen to keep these vital provinces not only under the Nationalist flag, but in active support of the Central Government.

He is believed to have reported that Yunnan, for the time being at least, has been stabilised, and that although the Communists there once were a real threat, they are now being rounded up and driven to cover.

Szechuen, however, is a different problem. Officially, the Generalissimo was able to report that the difficulties caused by Communist forces in Szechuen have been brought under control, and that the province is now being brought back into the Nationalist fold.

The plan would be put into effect only when it became clear that there would be no military advantages in remaining in Hunan province. This would presumably also call for concentration of troops now in North Kwangtung and Southern Hunan for the defence of Canton.

When or if it would become necessary to abandon Canton, the Generalissimo said, he would be prepared to leave the province, and to transfer the Government to Chungking or to the interior.

This line of reasoning is reported to have been the subject of a long discussion with Chiang Kai-shek. But official confirmation is totally lacking. Nor is there any indication that the Council would approve such a programme if presented.

In the foreign field, the Council is said to be preparing to discuss the possibility of China making a formal charge of treaty violations against Russia in the United Nations.

Despite reports published here and abroad, no official decision has been made on the instructions to be given to the Chinese delegation at Flushing Meadow.

KMT Reform

Reform party reform is another item before the Council. The issue has been discussed before, and both Acting President Li Tsung-jen and Chiang Kai-shek have publicly acknowledged the necessity of party reform. But no successful method has been devised to make them effective.

The future of the North West is another major business. The declaration of Suyuan province from the Nationalist flag was a serious but not entirely surprising blow. It had been expected but the Government found itself powerless to prevent it.

The Council faces the problem of how to protect what is left of the North West, particularly Sinkiang province, with its wealth of minerals, other raw materials and agriculture. Repetition of the Suyuan development would come as no surprise to many here.—United Press.

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ECONOMIC AID FOR CHINA

Paris, September 23. Professor Adam Schaaf of Poland today told delegates of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, which is wondering how to use more than \$54,000 earmarked for "emergency reconstruction" in China. "There will be no problem in 1950," there will not be two governments then."

Earlier, Professor Chen Yuen, the Chinese delegate, complained that allocated equipment had never reached China. "My Government was never consulted," he said.

A UNESCO executive said that out of \$85,350 allocated for reconstruction in China in 1948-49, \$2,076 worth of books and \$7,938 worth of book coupons were with the Organisation's representative in Shanghai; \$23,000 worth of equipment was stored at America or Britain waiting for the political situation to clear up.

A UNESCO Board resolution proposed that the Director-General Jaime Torres Bodet should administer the unspent \$54,000.

Submitting this proposal, Professor Servapalli Radhakrishnan, India's Ambassador to Russia and Chairman of the Executive Board, spoke of the daily changing scene in China.

Professor Yuen said that there were plenty of empty schools behind this Communist line, but in "Free China" 40,000 middle-school students and hundreds of thousands of children had no desks, chairs, note-books or pencils.

Dr. Encarnacion Alzona of the Philippines—the first woman speaker during the current session in UNESCO's general conference—wanted to know why relief could not reach China, where should the money be sent, and what assurances could Professor Yuen give that UNESCO aid would reach those for whom it was intended?

Professor Yuen replied that the Nationalists still controlled vast regions of China one of which is much bigger than the Philippines and has a population of 50,000,000. The resolution was referred to a drafting sub-committee.—Reuter.

HAILE SELASSIE APPEALS TO UN

Flushing Meadow, September 23. Haile Selassie, Emperor of Ethiopia, today urged the United Nations not to delay further the return of Eritrea and Somaliland to Ethiopia.

In a telegram to Mr. Trygve Lie, the Secretary of the United Nations, the Emperor declared: "Time and again it has been clearly demonstrated that these provinces formed an integral part of Ethiopia, but were torn away from her by force of aggression."

"The fact that these provinces, once the oil of Japan, their Motherland, could not lead an independent existence, is unquestionable. Consequently, further delay will be of no help but will contribute to the deterioration of situations that have long been in great need of assistance."—Reuter.

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An Incredible Summer

"Fine and warm..." For the 94th time in the past three months the voice of the announcer came over the radio this week-end and again the forecast turned out to be right.

Up to the end of last month this had been Britain's driest summer for 23 years. And, according to Kew, where they measure the rain, there had been only two drier summers since rainfall records began (in 1871).

Almost every day some weather record is smashed at the Air Ministry, and if the sun goes on shining until the end of this month the experts may as well write them off and start all over again.

So let's sum up this summer in hard facts; gauge what a difference the sun makes to a nation that still thinks it a novelty to wear a 'natural tan' from spring to September.

Down on the farms the yeomen of England count the blessings that the sun has brought, but true to tradition, grumble also at the damage done, by drought.

What will it all mean to the larders of the land? Thank the sun for an expected wheat yield of about 30.4cwt. to every golden acre, compared with an average over the past 10 years of 18.7cwt. Barley has also done well and the average yield should be 19.1cwt., against an average of 17.5.

Orchard Crops

It's the same sunny news from the orchards of England. Nearly 500,000 tons of apples have been picked from the sun-warmed trees of the lovely Vale of Evesham and Kent, and Britain's other fruit lands, and the 31,000-ton cherry crop was easily a record.

Pears also bloomed in the non-stop sunshine, and the estimated crop of 43,000 tons will not fall far short of the record 1942 crop of 44,300 tons. Plums didn't fare so well, but you can't have it all ways, and the estimated crop of 124,000 tons is still slightly above the ten-year average of 123,000 tons.

Holiday Front

Leave the farmlands for the holiday fronts and you really see how the sun can change the face of a nation. More than 300,000 holidaymakers who have come to this heat-hazy country from all parts of the world have had two illusions shattered:

1. That the sun rarely shines for more than a few hours at a time;

2. That the internationally known London "season" has lost its post-war brilliance.

In June, July, and August the sun shone for days on end and all Britain's social and sporting events attracted greater public attention than ever before.

Back and over to those smooth green tennis courts in a London suburb where in 14 days more than 300,000 shirt-sleeved men and scantily dressed women packed what was generally considered to be the best Wimbledon ever held.

All records were broken in attendances, weather, and gate receipts. And foreign entrants wholeheartedly agreed that Wimbledon is still the Mecca of the lawn tennis world.

On to the sun-parched Downs of Epsom, where hundreds of thousands thrilled to the Derby's first photo-finish in 140 years and

By **GRAHAM STANFORD**

Nimbus nosed his way to a record prize of £13,170, which was £1,000 more than the previous year.

Racing Records

A rain-free Ascot broke all post-war records, and old rowing men lyrically described the Royal Henley Regatta as "the most brilliant in living memory."

It was certainly the most profitable since the end of the war, and organisers hope that it marks the end of the slump on the fashionable reaches of the Thames between Henley and Maidenhead.

For months the country cricket grounds were bathed in sunshine, record crowds worked wonders with club balance sheets, and for the first time the visiting New Zealanders made a profit—of about £10,000. Which, considering that their expenses are over £20,000, tells its own story of the difference that sunny days make.

All Britain's festivals, notably Edinburgh and Malvern (revived after a ten-year lapse), flourished in the sunshine, and Edinburgh is now firmly established as the cultural centre of Europe.

Big 'Sell-out'

In London the Royal Tournament at Olympia was a "sell-out" far short of the record 1942 crop of 44,300 tons. Plums didn't fare so well, but you can't have it all ways, and the estimated crop of 124,000 tons is still slightly above the ten-year average of 123,000 tons.

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Next to London, Windsor was the greatest draw, closely followed by Stratford, Chester, York, the Lake District, Edinburgh, and the Trossachs.

Anticipating wet weather, many Americans planned only a few days' stay, but revised their schedules when morning after morning dawned fine and warm. Dress shops did brisk business supplementing the wardrobes of women visitors who had come unprepared.

For Britain's own holiday resorts there have been two sides to the sun. Estimates so far show that staying visitors have dropped by 10 per cent; that holidaymakers have spent at least 25 per cent less than last year. Thousands have either spent their holidays at home with the sun or have been content with the occasional day trip.

Holiday town theatres, cinemas, and all indoor amusements have slumped badly, taking from the £100 million of the previous year to about £75 million.

No Epidemics

Already rushed off their feet by additional work under the National Health Service, the doctors of Britain join in the chorus of "O what a beautiful summer." No major epidemics have been reported and—as always—long weeks of sunshine have improved the nation's health.

And weather experts once more deny that a warm summer necessarily portends a hard winter. "Fine and warm..."

It's that voice again—and he's almost sure to be right. Apart from one or two lapses early on, even the weather prophets have enjoyed their best summer for years.

APE VS. CHILD

From Kay Murray in New York comes a story that might well have made headline news in the days when the Darwin Controversy was at its height.

To discover the difference—if any—between the mind of a trained ape and that of a small child, a professor at Wisconsin University has been carrying out identical intelligence tests on both. So far, reports the professor, the ape has proved the winner every time.

When nine different coloured objects were placed on a tray and the child was handed a wooden triangle which it had been taught represented red, the child furnished the test and selected blue, as well as red objects from the tray. Given the same triangle, the ape never failed to select the right colour.

It was the same story when a wooden circle representing blue was indicated. The child failed and the ape succeeded. All of which, says the satisfied professor, proves that humans are only superior to apes in their powers of thought because they receive an education and are forced to use their brains.

Britain Cannot Afford EXPENSIVE A-BOMBS

By **LEWIS HAMES**

Britain cannot afford atomic energy, because it will cost too much to produce.

Apart from problems of research, the greatest difficulty confronting British atomic scientists is the financial handicap under which they are striving to achieve the impossible.

In his address to the British Association at Newcastle, Sir Arthur Fleming, president of the Engineering Section, brought this matter into sharp relief.

Discussing the prospects of nuclear energy for industry, he emphasised that, rising costs of labour and material, fundamental research is becoming increasingly expensive, and he prophesied that the cost may be prohibitive.

U.S. Millions

In producing the atom bomb and paying for the years of research which have followed its first outbreak upon the shocked world, the U.S.A. has spent £750,000,000.

The British Government has not revealed how much has been spent on research in this country, but I estimate the sum must be at least £50,000,000.

Though a big amount in itself, it seems pitifully small compared with America's huge outlay; first of all, America's atomic research establishments are infinitely small compared with those of the United States.

To catch up with America in the race for atomic supremacy, Britain must be prepared to foot a bill approximating to the flood of dollars America has poured into its atomic research plants.

How can Britain afford to do this in her present state of chronic hard-upness which seems likely to continue for years? The feat is economically impossible.

America has seven major research establishments and several subsidiary ones compared with Britain's three, of which two are not yet in full operation. All the American plants dwarf the British ones. All of them truly merit that much abused adjective "colossal," beloved of the Americans.

Why is atomic energy research so costly? Why does the atom, the tiniest object in the universe, need such vast buildings, such powerful plant, and such complicated equipment to probe its mysteries?

The answer lies in the many and diverse processes, chemical, electrical and engineering that are necessary to disintegrate the atom and collect its energy in a form that can be controlled.

In atomic energy the scientists are dealing with such terrific power that everything used in the work must be of the finest quality.

The finest building materials must go into the laboratories and factories, the finest metals must be used in constructing the great electrical machines that produce millions of electron-volts. Everything down to the smallest appliance must be perfect of its kind, shock-proof, danger-proof, weather-proof, fool-proof.

In dealing with a force of such unknown potentialities, the scientists dare not take risks. Any flaw in almost any part of the equipment might lead to disaster. Everything must be tested, re-tested and tested again before it is finally put into operation.

The dangers of any uncontrolled release of radio-active matter are ever present, ever menacing. That is why leading atomic scientists of America, Britain and Canada met at Harvard to discuss safety measures.

The problems of disposing of

radio-active waste matter—the "refuse" from the atomic plants for which the scientists have no further use—have to be solved. As research work expands, this radio-active waste will increase in quantity. Methods must be found of safe and economic disposal. The present method of dumping it into the sea a thousand miles from land may be safe, but it is certainly not economical.

Atomic energy research costs, already tremendous, are increasing alarmingly. So much so, that even America, with all its huge financial resources, is feeling the draught and striving to turn its discoveries to commercial account.

For the past two years it has been selling radio-active isotopes (by-products of the atomic pile) for use in medical and industrial research. Britain recently started to follow suit—on a very small scale, indeed.

In a still further effort to derive some commercial revenue America recently placed on the retail open market the Geiger counter, the small and nifty hand-gadget used to detect radiation, which prospectors carry to seek out the presence of uranium ore in the earth, holding it much as water divers hold a twig. When there is anything radio-active around, the Geiger counter ticks. These gadgets now sell in American shops at about £13.

Thousands of Americans who will never go searching for uranium and never have even a remote connection with atomic science, have bought them as novelties. They carry the Geiger counter, hoping to hear it tick, but soon get tired of the game when the novelty wears off. Geiger counters are not yet sold in shops in Britain.

Big Salaries

But these and other expedients for raising income are infinitely small compared with the great cost of research—a mere drop in the ocean of crippling expenditure.

Atomic energy will never pay its way until it is available on an unlimited scale to industry and even now no atomic scientists can say definitely when that will be.

Another heavy item is the salaries paid to the atomic workers. Even non-technical employees in the American plants are paid more than workers of corresponding grades in industry. This is possibly because of the to them very slight risk involved. The top-rank American atomic scientists are paid very high salaries.

This salary question is one on which British atomic energy work shows up badly compared with America. Senior atomic scientists in British establishments average only £1,000 a year. Very few earn more than £3,500. In America they could easily earn double or treble. This is a sore point in Britain. But in present economic conditions they are unlikely to get any more.

So it looks as if America is going to remain pre-eminent in the atomic energy field unless Soviet Russia—unknown quantity—can spend the equivalent of as many dollars to rival her in research.

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RUSSIAN POSSESSION OF THE ATOMIC BOMB

Development Expected By Western Powers DANGER TO BRITAIN

London, September 23.

The first detailed examination of the military impact on the Western nations of Russian knowledge of atomic fission will take place when the Atlantic Pact Defence Ministers meet in Washington next month.

Observers here consider that the news of an atom explosion having taken place in Russia is likely to be more important in the psychological sphere than in the sphere of Government policy.

London and Washington are understood to have based their plans since the end of the war on the very definite assumption that the Soviet Government would also possess the atomic bomb and other ultra-modern weapons of war within a very limited number of years.

To that extent, in the realm of government plans and decisions, today's news had already been anticipated.

It is recognised that the Western Powers have now lost a security margin which lay in the monopoly of the atomic bomb. In research and technique, the Soviet Government had some leeway to make up, and this, for a strictly limited period of time, gave the West a decisive military advantage.

Diplomatic observers said that the influence on international relations is incalculable. On the one hand, possession of the bomb must remove the fear motive so constantly alleged as a factor in Soviet foreign policy since the end of the war.

The Soviet Government is no longer at so great a disadvantage in this field compared with the West.

War Would Be Disaster

On the other hand, the development is expected to lead to an even more acute interest and competition for strategic raw materials, especially uranium, and for those parts of the world such as the Antarctic where they are believed to exist.

It is still too early here to get a sound opinion on the vital underlying question of whether Russian ownership of the bomb makes war more or less probable.

The public here certainly does not believe that the Atlantic Pact Powers would go to war except in the case of brute aggression.

On the other hand, it is not felt that the news would make the Soviet Government more likely to go to war, since however powerful its new weapon may be in offence, there remain the atomic weapons and rockets in the West.

It remains as true today, as it did yesterday, that war would spell disaster on both sides. Neither the Foreign Office nor other British Government departments will answer any questions on the official announcement and it is not known in London whether the news was in the possession of the Atlantic Pact Foreign Ministers when they met last week.

Hints have been dropped from time to time by leading Russians, including Mr. V. M. Molotov, former Soviet Foreign Minister, and Mr. Vyshinsky that Russia possesses the atom bomb.

They have mostly been discounted by Western experts. At last year's General Assembly of the United Nations, Mr. Dmitri Manuilsky, the Ukrainian Foreign Minister, declared his preparedness to show proof that the atom bomb was not an American monopoly.

Atomic Energy Commission officials in Washington declined to comment when in July, this year a Paris newspaper reported that Russian atomic bomb explosions had occurred in Siberia.

The report had said that explosions were detected by Americans in the Aleutian Islands, which lie across the Northern Pacific between Alaska and Siberia.

Soviet possession of the atom bomb does not take away the undoubted military advantage that the United States still holds.

It is probable that Russia is in the first stages of production of the bomb whereas America has had four years in which to build up stocks and improve design.

Added to that it is almost certain that the United States has an Air Force overwhelmingly superior to the Russians in numbers and efficiency.

Matter Of Time
But Russia now possesses the most powerful weapon of war and it can only be a matter of time before she has built up her stocks and has an air force sufficiently strong to make an attack on long-range targets possible.

Since the war Russia is believed to have continued to strengthen her armed forces, particularly her army, and devote her energies to training and equipping the largest land force in the world.

That is her one counter to the superiority of the Western Allies in the air and on the sea. Strategists have held that in a war between Russia and the West the Soviet Army would thrust first for the coastline of Europe from which she could neutralise the value of Britain as a base for air and naval power and deny Europe to the Western Allies.

MORE NEWS ON THE ATOM BOMB
See Page 18.

DETECTED BY CLOUD CHAMBER

London, September 23.

From time to time there has been a good deal of speculation about the setting-up by the United States and other powers of stations for the long-range detection of atomic explosions.

The secrecy surrounding all projects associated with nuclear fission has prevented the publication of hard facts on this subject, but there is no doubt that the explosion of an atomic bomb could be detected thousands of miles away.

Small nuclear transformations result in the appearance of fast-moving electrically charged particles, which in passing through the air give atoms with which they collide an electric charge.

This is a process called ionisation. "Ions," as electrified atoms are called, can be detected by the Wilson Cloud Chamber, a device in which their path can be photographed because they leave behind them a trail of water-vapour which has been attracted by their electricity.

Another detecting instrument is the Geiger Counter, in which the electrical potential of the air is altered by the entry of the gamma rays which are a feature of radio activity.

After an atomic explosion, fission fragments can be carried great distances by the winds, sometimes in rain-clouds from which they may fall to earth.

The first test shot of the atom bomb in New Mexico is believed to have been detected by a Geiger Counter in Maryland, more than 1,000 miles away.

The physicist, Philip Morrison, of Cornell University, New York, who worked on the atomic bomb project, has written that, weeks after an explosion there are still millions of active atoms present.

—Reuter.

The Allies And The Far East

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This new line of thought needs careful watching. Much may be said for granting Japan timely concessions, including a peace treaty, with a view to leading her against Communist influence.

But the new pillar of democracy in Asia, now that China has defaulted to that role, is based upon wishful thinking only too reminiscent of that which prevailed in the Chinese case. Hardly less short-sighted may be the idea of rebuilding Japan as Asia's industrial workshop.

The tightly packed population, and the impossibility of real dispersion, would make extended defence against full-scale atom bomb attacks impossible.

Britain now lies between two great Powers who are evenly matched in attacking strength or soon will be.

Germ War Next?

The next step to consider is bacteriological warfare.

Just as Russia has been behind the Western Powers in the knowledge of how to produce the atom bomb so is she almost certainly behind them in the newest and most frightening of all forms of warfare.

Would any nation today employ the bacteriological weapon? The hesitancy of all combatants to use gas in the last war suggests that no one would. But the possession of this knowledge of how great populations could be wiped out in minutes without

the unpleasant after-effects of the atom bomb to keep away occupying forces, would be a weapon of tremendous power.

This new form of warfare can also be employed against crops, and it would be a comparatively simple process for a nation with a large air force to wipe out the food supplies of its enemy while they were still growing in the fields by spreading disease among them.

Here again, the vast distances in Russia and America would make the process more difficult, but in Europe, it would be easy.

—Reuter.

Cabinet To Discuss The Russian Bomb

London, September 23.

The Cabinet is expected to discuss the official announcement of a Russian atomic explosion at its meeting on Monday.

But political quarters here tonight believe it is unlikely that the Government will encourage any demands for a Parliamentary debate on the subject.

After the brief, bare announcement made today from the Prime Minister's Office, a Government spokesman declined to say another word.

The nation's senior scientists were equally silent.—Reuter.

STIR CREATED IN WASHINGTON

Washington, September 23.

Announcement of Russian possession of the atom bomb created a stir in the General Assembly of the United Nations.

Mr. Trygve Lie, Secretary-General, commented: "If it is true that they have the bomb it shows how indispensable international agreement is."

In Washington, the word swept swiftly around Government departments and through Congress.

At the Pentagon Building, headquarters of the Military Services, there were signs of some excitement but no officials would discuss the matter.

A spokesman for the Atomic Energy Commission, replying to queries, said: "We have nothing to say."

At the capitol, Senator Brian McMahon, Democrat, Connecticut, Chairman of the Joint Congressional Committee on Atomic Energy, called a meeting of the Committee from which newspapermen were barred.

In a Senate speech only yesterday, Mr. McMahon said that if Russia had the atomic bomb she could send bombs to American ports on tramp steamships and blow up 35,000 people.

"Very Glad"

After today's session, Senator McMahon said: "There is no question in my mind but that a man-made atomic explosion has occurred in the USSR."

Dr. Robert Oppenheimer, Chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission's Advisory Board and one who played a big part in developing America's atomic bomb, told reporters: "I am very glad that we know the facts."

Louis Straus, Commission member acting as chairman in the absence of Dr. David Lilienthal, said: "The President has made the statement. The matter is completely in White House hands."

A Russianian was the leading Soviet delegate present at the meeting of the General Assembly this morning.

Asked for comment, he replied: "I have heard this news from the President for the first time."

A reporter asked: "Is it true that the Soviet Union has the atom bomb?"

"I have no comment," Mr. Arutunian replied.

Asked if "President Truman's announcement was a surprise, he laughed and said: "There's no surprise under the sun."

Asked if that was confirmed he laughed and said: "It's merely general comment. It's an old Russian saying."

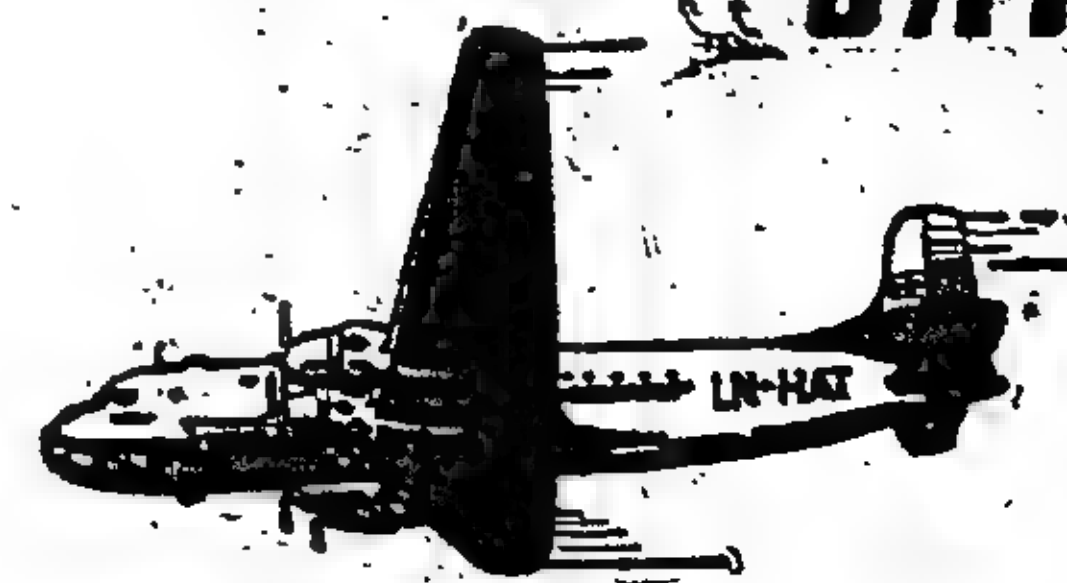
A military man in Washington said that the Russians are probably at the Los Alamos stage of atomic development.

He referred to the date July 16, 1945, when a United States test atom bomb exploded in the New Mexico desert.

This was three weeks prior to the dropping of the first atom bomb on Japan.

The impact of the news is cer-

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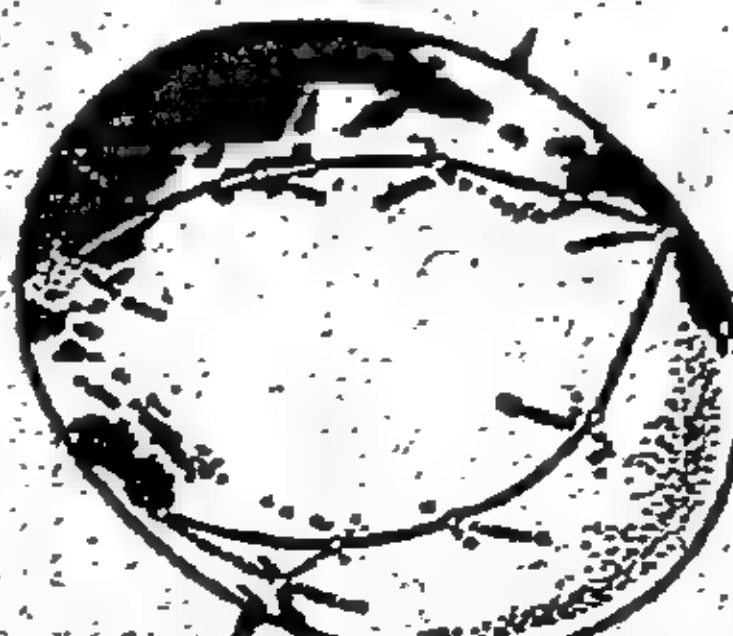
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REWARDS OF THE VOLUNTEERS

By MACUMAZAHN

It was very difficult deciding on an appropriate title and cover design. Ultimately Gunner Brand's design was accepted. This was based on the Corps Mess Dress: navy blue long jacket, without braiding, silver buttons, and trousers to match with a 2" red stripe—hence the origin of the title. The size of the magazine was approximately 5½" x 8". The front outer cover was carried out in three colours: on a white background, a 2" red stripe, vertical margin a 2" red stripe, vertical from the title panel to the bottom margin. On the right-hand side top the Corps Crest carried out in gold colour, beneath, a scroll bearing the name and year, volume number, and list of main articles, carried out in red letters on a white background, the rest of the background being navy blue. The cover was very attractive indeed; but there were many who considered the title politically significant. The body of the magazine was normally fifty pages of reading matter, carrying a frontpiece and two pages of photographs, in addition to six pages of advertisements.

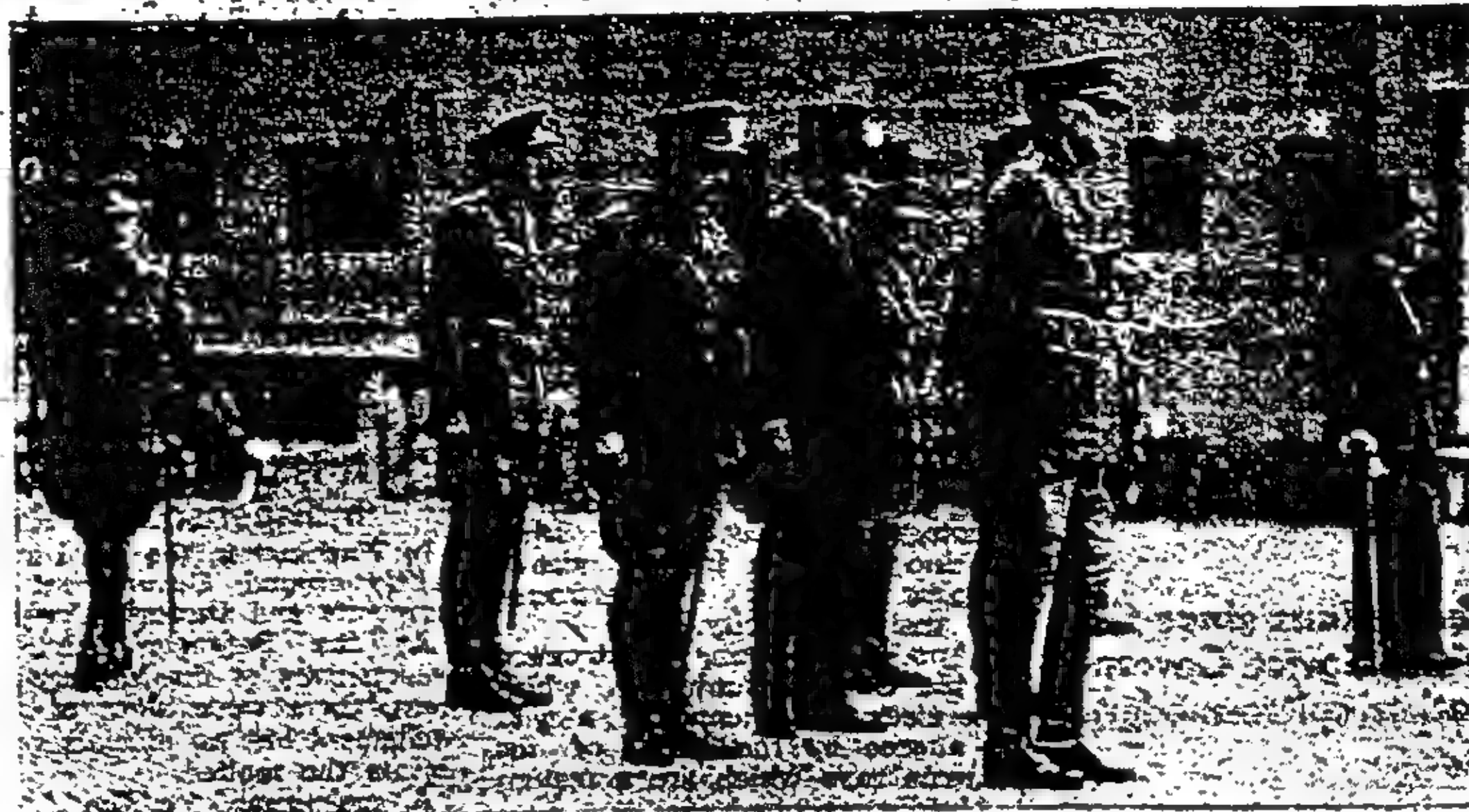
The Corps Crest, incidentally, was the crest of the British Municipal Council (Tientsin) with scroll beneath reading, "TBME Corps" and the Battle Honour, "Tientsin 1900". This was carried out for the Corps Cap Badge. The Corps buttons, brass and silver, carried the Council's Motto, "Comitas Inter Gentes," in place of corps designation, with the Battle Honour beneath.

The printing was carried out by The Tientsin Press, Ltd.

Six Months' Obligation

Sufficient material was collected at the commencement to ensure three months' publication; but, in order to receive the benefit of a considerable reduction in the cost of printing, we had six months obligation to our printers. These first six months might be likened to a baby's teething

period. Our amiable editor, William, must have burnt gallons of midnight oil. I am afraid none of us at that time quite appreciated his efforts. Scaptes and critics abounded; but with dogged tenacity William kept on. For months his were the only contributions under various pseudonyms, padded with competitions carrying valuable prizes contributed by advertisers. Somehow it dawned upon the critics that advertisers



Lieutenant-General Bartholomew, GOC South China Command, Staff Officers, Officers of the East Yorkshire Regiment, and Municipal Council officials at the inspection of the Tientsin British Municipal Emergency Corps in 1936.

would not go to this extent unless they were satisfied with the publication as a medium for sales. Slowly the circle of subscribers enlarged; a complete history of Volunteer activities in North China appeared supported by old photographs; caricatures of members by "Bones" and pen-and-ink sketches by I. A. Donnelly appeared; outside contributions—articles, social and otherwise of the different units—reappeared, and the tone of the set-up became less pessimistic.

Well, I think I have described

fairly accurately the difficulties encountered in launching the Corps Bulletin, the first of its kind to appear East of Suez. That the self-imposed task shouldered by Gunner Brand eventually won appreciation is borne out by the official recognition he received in promotion to Lt. Colonel. He carried the editorship through four years, passing the torch to "Frederic"

ed opportunity to test the newly acquired Armoured Cars, as the team travelled in them to Peking and back, towing the howitzers and accompanied by the staff car and truck, over the tortuous 72-mile highway. Now that the story may be told without infringing the Official Secrets Act, we carried out in that trip very much more than simply testing the vehicles under peak loads. We had fitted them for wireless transmission and receiving and successfully contacted Corps HQ. Others of our party were plotting

intricate range logistics. The number of halts it required on the outward journey to enable these squads to graph their findings were taken advantage of by the rest of the party in putting to practical test their knowledge of the terrain among the cranniums of the interested villagers and whilst I am sure no startling cease formations were discovered, this led to the interesting discovery of a fair percentage of the population possessing light pigmentation of the skin. This had our Professor completely boxed as it was not known that the Crusaders in their wanderings had forestalled Marco Polo & Co. To the questioning that followed it was revealed that members of the long lost Chinese Labour Battalion to France in World War I were settled in the locality. Perhaps this Cause and Effect is but one reason for the Sphinx's inscrutable smile!

With the serious business of the Pigeon Shoots dispensed with, the teams were wine and dined as only pre-war Peking knew the intricate art. Perhaps it was the surroundings as much as the open-handed hospitality that made everything so vastly different to that the visitor had been accustomed to. There was a romantic underground current to life in China's ancient Capital, something difficult to explain, though comparatively easy to describe. We used to take full advantage of our short stays by sight-seeing and in the evenings repairing to the roof-garden of the Hotel du Peking and taking a table overlooking the former Forbidden City. From this vantage point you could imagine the ghostly audience of illustrious Emperors, their courtiers and eunuchs, assembled in the marble courts, below shocked into inarticulate rage and despair at the modern form of dancing and music indulged in by their heirs in company with the foreign barbarians within their realm.

We also tasted of what dismal night life the old Capital had to offer both resident and tourist and were surprised at the audacity of the proprietors charging first-class prices for the gutter type of cabaret entertainment. Visits to both the Garrison Sergeant's Mess and the American

Legation Sergeant's Mess seemed old ties. During the second visit to Peking the team was accommodated in the Garrison Barracks within the British Legation compound, where the scars of the Boxer Rebellion were still visible on many of the buildings and the Glacis defences.

There I draw the veil of Memory and I hope it has not been dull reading to those who accompanied me. I have time to record one remaining point that escaped me: the old TBME Corps before retiring. To those of its members favoured by Fate to receive in the Field the announcement of "V-J Day" with the consequent lifting of security controls, revealed the interesting fact that about two years old Chinese Volunteers were serving the Colours on the L. of C. extending between the Brahmaputra and the Arakan and that no less than a quarter of them had been more than Tientsin Corps-ites who had been serving on their duties within an area of 180 miles of Kohima. In actual fact they were more; but some were withdrawn to India to take over more exacting jobs as the enemy started his belated and ill-fated offensive on the Assam L. of C.

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The Uncomfortable English

By JOHN KIRK NELSON

A visit to the Isle of Wight (John Priestley's "Other Island") confirmed a growing suspicion that one of our strangest national characteristics is a love of discomfort.

Choosing, unwisely, a Saturday for travelling, and not having reserved a seat, I was provided with overwhelming evidence to support this.

Outside Waterloo Station thousands of the most highly taxed people in the world formed a queue which seemed endless.

With five minutes in hand for my train, I called out of the taxi window: "What's this queue for?"

"The Isle of Wight," a cheerful citizen informed me, his face wet with perspiration.

An appointment waited for me at the other end, for I was off on business and not pleasure.

"Which train are you queuing for?"

This question sent a ripple of laughter through the ranks of the holidaymakers. "Search me, chum!" said the same cheerful citizen. "We'll know when we get on it."

You are allowed inside the station, I discovered, without queuing, and somehow being inside gave me a comforting illusion of being a step nearer my destination. I also discovered a slow stopping train about to depart for Portsmouth.

"Hey!" cried the collector, sternly grasping my ticket. "End of the queue, you. This is for the Isle of Wight."

Couldn't I go to Portsmouth with the same ticket if I wanted to? The collector scratched his chin over this unfair attempt on my part to avoid discomfort. Hardly playing the game, what? But indubitably Portsmouth is on the way to the Isle of Wight, so he let me through.

"Portsmouth Town," he called

after me in an aggrieved manner. "You'll have to make your own way to the ferry."

I soon knew why the collector seemed so frustrated. I was not the only traveller to think of this dodge. Hundreds and hundreds of fellow railway owners were there before me and the slow train was packed to capacity.

Jammed in the corridor, hot and miserable, I glared at them, unable to forgive them their contented faces. For there was no getting away from it—they were enjoying themselves.

Now is this escape from the daily drudgery? Queuing for transport, for food, for entertainment, and, no doubt, the final queue of the day—for the boarding-house bathroom. And in the morning queuing again for the traditional postcard to the less fortunate at home: "Having a wonderful time...." And having it, what's more.

I recently asked a Frenchman visiting Britain if he had not observed this national enjoyment of discomfort. But yes, certainly. Next to wearing a hair shirt he could think of no self-imposed penance to equal that of drinking warm beer in an ill-ventilated bar. And standing up, Mon Dieu to drink it!

It may be thought that these discomforts are endured only by the hot polio and that therefore there is a simple economic explanation for them. Not at all.

Once I went to Eton College for the annual Fourth of June celebrations. Never shall I forget the acute misery of that picnic lunch by the river, with the chill wind of an average June penetrating my very bones—the cramped muscles, the leaves in the food, the endless chase after the wind-blown paper.

But how we English love our picnics! Only the other day I saw a punt moored to a little island on the Thames and two old ladies having their tea in it on a collapsible table, with kettle, tea pot, spirit lamp, and the whole drawing-room paraphernalia.

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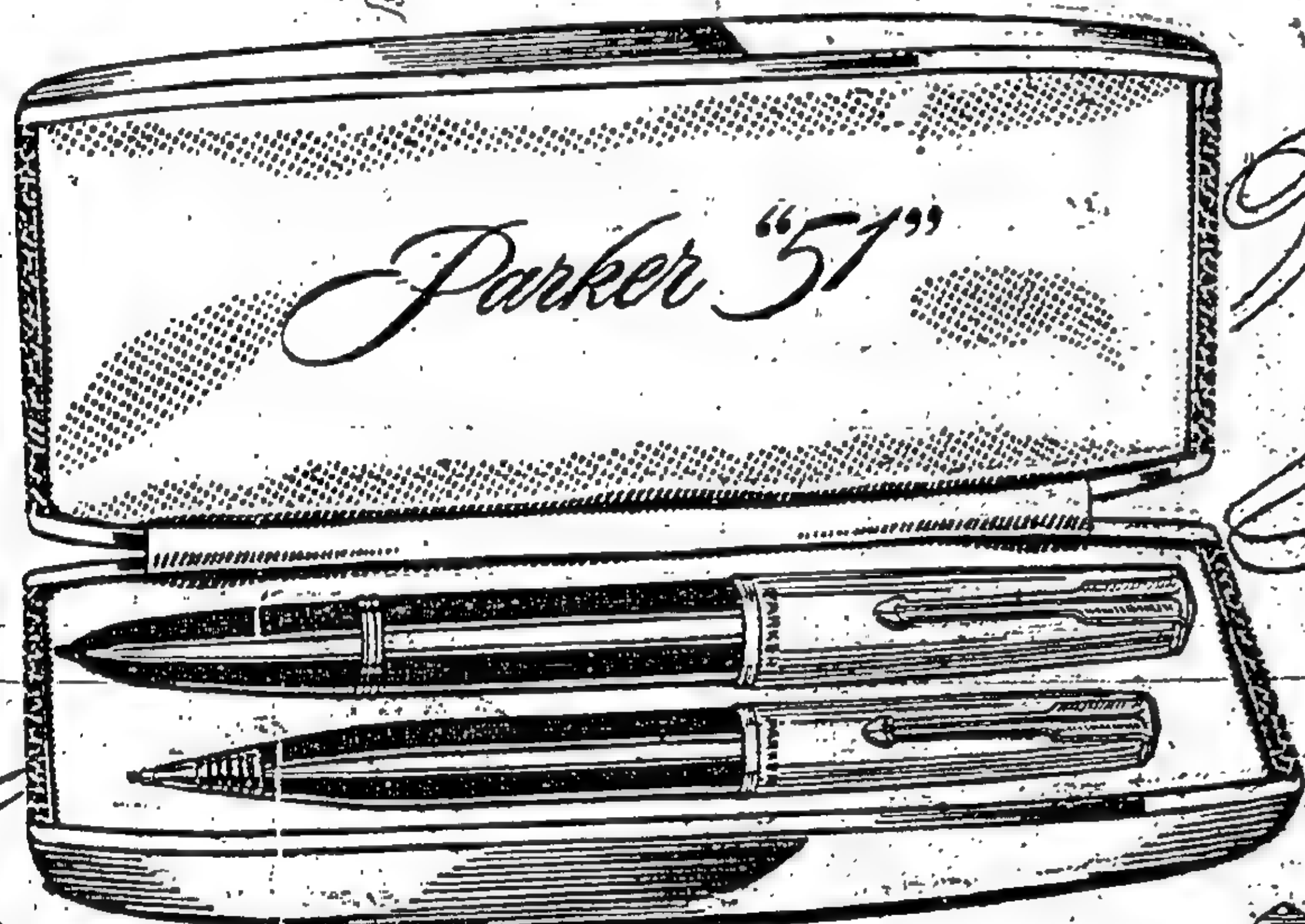
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WHEN AMERICA TAKES OVER THE EMPIRE

DIGGING UP THE PAST HAS A NEW FUTURE

By GUY RAMSEY

The boys with the bulldozers industriously churning up the South bank of the Thames for the 1951 Exhibition are handling their great land-dredgers with the precision of surgical forceps—by request.

For the earth may well contain items of considerable archaeological interest; there are even hopes of unearthing a Roman treasure (a ship with three banks of oars), like the galley chanced upon in excavations some years ago.

The whole country is archaeologically minded at the moment.

The experts who could glance at a fragment of earth-measured pottery turned up by a boy's spade at a man's plough, gaze at it for a moment, and place its period and culture within a decade or so, had decided they knew all there was to know about the Roman settlement in Britain—and especially just how far North the Roman garrison was established.

Plane View

The Wall running from Solway to the Tyne was just about the limit—save for an advanced Command Post or so when a raid was needed to keep the Painted Men in wholesome awe of the imperium.

But a man in an aeroplane caught sight of a field far to the North of the Wall. The sunlight fell at a certain angle; the aircraft was in a fortunate position; and though anyone walking on the ground could see nothing there, the pilot saw a shape that seemed to be raised in high relief on the ground—the unmistakable shape of a Roman fort, for the men who made our roads always built their strongholds upon the same efficient plan.

The find was reported. Men with spades and trowels, picks and buckets, came and delved into the earth, and another Roman site was under excavation—another "dig" was begun—and the experts were compelled to revise all their opinions about the extent of the Roman sway.

stagnation in their present half-light of development.

It cannot be a Socialist movement for this 20th-century colonisation will call for many of the same old individual qualities as marked the pioneers of other days. It could be a Liberal movement. For all our British Empires have been liberal in effect and act, though Raleigh, Clive, Hastings, Rhodes, and Raffles may not have been acceptable on the Committee of the National Liberal Club. Yet part of their daring sprang from their own nature in liberty, and much of their achievement conferred peace and justice on large tracts of the earth. The British Empire has succeeded only when it has been truly Liberal.

But they were adventurers, these men you praise," said a worthy fellow member of that famous club to me. "I answered: 'What our world cries out for is a great new Liberal Adventure.'

Archaeology today is a science where youth and age join hands. Most archaeologists are not bearded old professors squinting at obscure relics through pebble-lenses, but hearty chaps between 30 and 50, whom you will probably find drinking beer and playing darts in the local pub after the day's digging (and sorting and cataloguing) has been done.

The basic equipment of the archaeologist is ageless—the still primitive tools of pick, spade, and trowel—but our big "digs" the bulldozers in operation, and even the latest thing in mine-detectors is brought in to locate buried metal to save time, say, in locating the precise site of a burial ground.

The aeroplane is the supreme instrument for spotting buried relics of antiquity, and trained pilots, employed on aerial photography during the war, have taken to archaeology like ducks to water, and will chatter of "crom-marks," "shadow sites," and "roll-mark sites" as if these were so many "hurries" or "tidies."

A cross-mark site depends upon the way vegetation grows; a shadow site upon catching the effect of a low sun in a certain light, which throws otherwise inconspicuous earthworks into sharp relief, and a roll-mark site shows a variation in colour in unplanted land.

In fact, if you look at the earth from the air with a practised eye you may quite likely see (and it will be clearly visible in

an aerial photograph) the line of a buried, centuries-old road or the lay-out of an ancient field (running, say, across two or three hedged fields of today) as clearly as the curving, silver ribbon of a river.

This year has been an archaeological bumper, for the aerial season has (a) thrown into even sharper relief than usual ancient traces glimpsed from the air, and (b) provided ideal conditions for any and every "dig" (Archaeologists always refer to a "dig"—never to an "excavation.")

Pressure is most urgent upon sites bombed during the war and now scheduled for rebuilding, such as that in George-street, Canterbury. A major "dig" is in progress under the direction of a master at Reading College.

The committee responsible has as its president the Archbishop. Roman baths have already been found; possibly a monumental cenotaph for Roman officials.

One of the most fascinating "digs" is that at Bignor Hill, Berkshire, where there is not only a Roman cemetery and a Roman guard-post, but, in addition, a fort of the Iron Age (300-400 years B.C.).

At Lollington, near Farnham, Kent, a superb Roman villa has been "dug" with a mosaic picture of the Rape of Europa, and (which makes it a rarity) an inscription in heavily Latin verse.

All manner of bodies subsidise excavations: County archaeological societies, universities, national museums, city excavation committees, the Ministry of Works (who have 22 "digs" in operation).

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The Sun Never Sets

By THORBURN MUIRHEAD

History has already recorded the lives and deaths of three British Empires. Are there any more to come?

The First British Empire ended abruptly with the American Revolution. In its place arose the Imperialist regime of Victorian days.

That Second ("Kipling") Empire gently dissolved with the 1914-18 War. It gave way to the brief emancipating phase of the British Commonwealth of Nations.

This Third Empire also passed with the virtual collapse of the Imperial Conference and the radical shift in the economic and military equation of forces created by the 1929-45 War.

And so, today, Britain, her Colonies, and her Commonwealth partners stand at the threshold of a fourth phase. What it brings to life a Fourth British Empire?

Surely. As surely as the sun sets each morning. There will be a Fourth British Empire.

The strength of this Empire is not to be assessed by any listing of territories or resources, though these are as ample as before. It is not to be reckoned by its accumulation of political experience, though this has increased. Chiefly, its strength lies in the realm of the spirit. This has been the common factor in all the British Empires.

Ideals Migrated

The colonists who left our British shore to seek homes overseas carried with them the ideals of freedom and justice in which they had been nurtured here. Wherever they settled they transplanted these seeds, which have struck deep. With them went a love of, and loyalty to, the tradition of the Old Country. Such is the spiritual climate of the Fourth British Empire.

The political situation in which it is born is determined by two sets of forces, one internal and the other external.

Now everybody who is not sucked in by the Socialist swindle that free trade and subsidised food cost nothing on the production bill knows that Britain is fighting for her industrial life, and for one good reason—she is not productive efficiency and effectively enough.

To boot instead that "productivity" is up compared with post-war years is to make as childish a claim as that we are also doing better per man-head than in post-Napoleonic war years.

What the Socialists have yet to realise is that even with the primitive industrial techniques of a century ago Britain was then way ahead of all competitors. The sad fact is that she is no longer there.

The Socialist reactions is to blame the Americans. What? The dirty dogs give us aid, and still manage to out-produce us in the world markets! More unfair than ever! The British voter cannot possibly be to blame—on the eve of a general election, anyway!

Sloppy Acting

Mixed up with the nonsense at seven of five-day weeks and seven-hour days goes the sloppiest think and acting upon Colonial and Imperial matters. Surely only Ministers, whom the gods had first made mad would have banded over Burma to a regime of professors and pupils, bandits and Bolsheviks in the belief that they would inaugurate an era of peaceful progress. Thus, at one stroke, the new statement of Socialist Britain condemned millions of peasants to anarchy, poverty, and famine—and threw away the means of sustaining both them and the working masses of Britain in some decent standard of life.

It must be allowed that the Tories were not much wiser, though their folly was of a different nature. Having for generations refused to recognise that the "unchanging East" was changing at the pace of jet-propulsion, they suddenly accepted the idea that the power politicians who were riding the whirlwind of Asia's awakening were really quite "enlightened democrats."

Thereupon British Tories began to compete with British Socialists in breaking up the British Empire.

It was done for, the wretched notion that there is something wrong in a strong people taking over the responsibility of maintaining peace in the country of a weak people. The stronger element of all is that the British people are supposed to feel ashamed of

their Imperial role. Cripps may think it has said so times enough; but let him walk down Whitehall when the Amethyst sailors are marching up the Mall and note who gets the biggest hand.

In this self-imposed task of national hara-kiri the British have been ably assisted by the outside pressure of the two other great empires of the world—U.S. and U.S.S.R. For different reasons at different times both of these Powers have been willing to see the British Empire dissolve.

It is true that at this moment the more intelligent Americans are bidding for British alliance. They see us as a valuable factor in the struggle for world power. We should be mad if we permitted ourselves to become merely a pawn in this game.

In fact, there is no need to do so. The American economic position is by no means so powerful that we must tie ourselves up with it. America has her own problems, and they are also in American measurement—i.e., gigantic.

At this very moment the so-called dollar crisis of Britain is really the dollar crisis of the U.S. For not only Britain but the rest of Europe are short of dollars. If it continues it will also mean that a lot of Yankee business men are going to be very short of customers before long.

U.S. Defence

Nor is the American defence set-up so secure as some big talkers from Washington have proclaimed. The social and military stability of Western Europe can only be maintained on the basis of Marshall Aid subventions; then the next attack across the Rhine will bring collapse in the West more rapidly and utterly than in 1940. The Continent will then be submerged, and this time probably finally, in the totalitarian

sea, and America would have to retire beyond the Atlantic. This possibility is being persistently exploited as an argument for lining up Britain in an insoluble dependence upon the United States.

The same ridiculous reason is advanced as in 1939 (and even 1914)—i.e., that the advent of the aeroplane had abolished distance, and therefore Britain can no longer afford to act as an island.

The truth, of course, is that it was not the sea which protected Britain, but the naval power she deployed upon the sea. It was Nelson's wooden walls that kept Napoleon on the French shore of the Channel, not 21 miles of salt water. And in 1940 it was the R.A.F. that kept Hitler out of London. If we build up a comparable defence tomorrow, we shall have a comparable immunity.

And if not not.

How do we set about this task? Why, by creating a social and economic strength capable of sustaining such a military fabric. "But Britain alone could never hope to do that" mean our defeatists. For once they are right—but their very argument is our entire case.

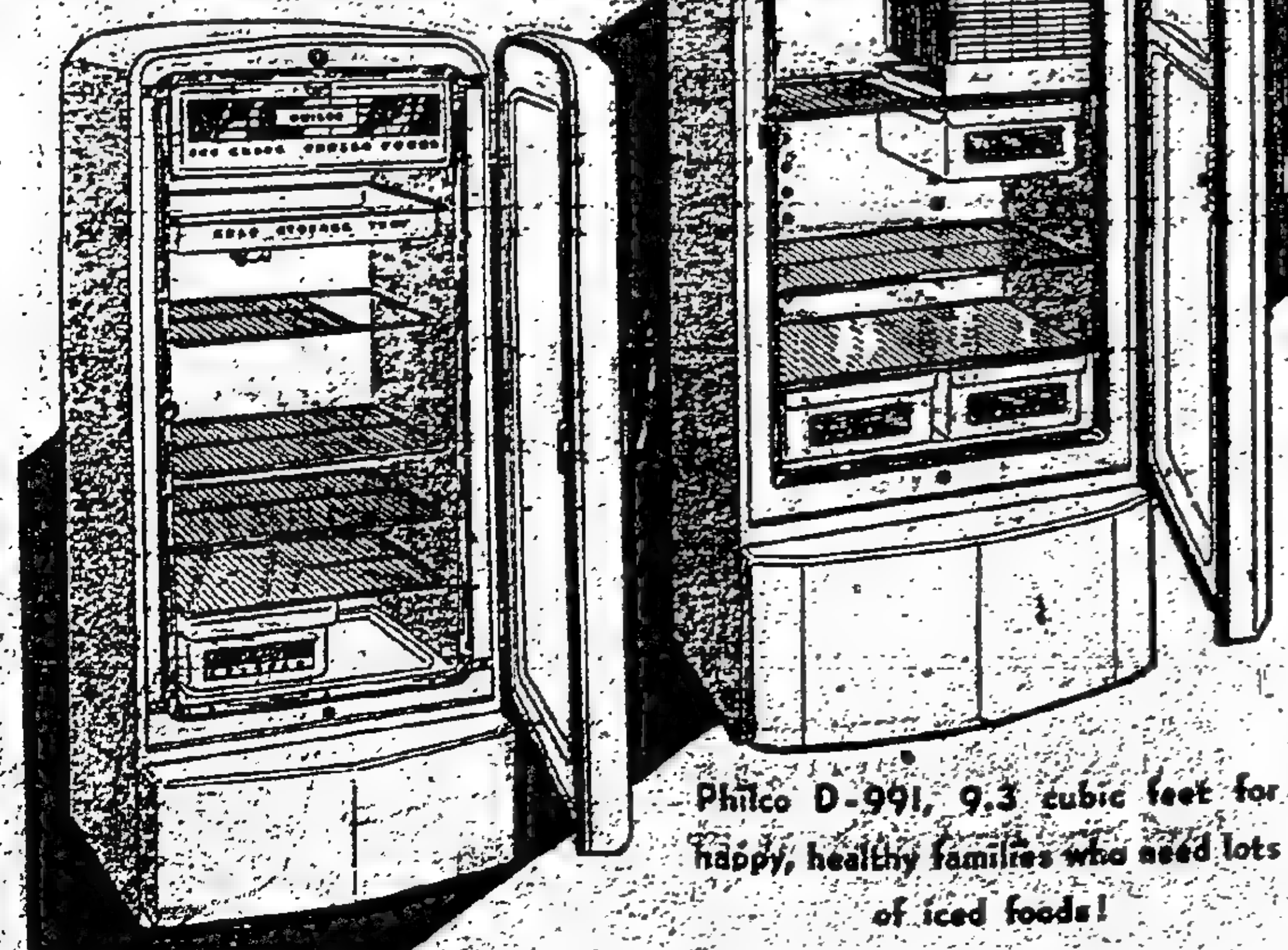
Alone, indeed, we could never do it. But with our sister nations and the Empire and the vast dependencies we still control we might at this very hour begin to build up the greatest commonwealth of work, wealth, and happiness that this world has ever seen. Then, indeed, we could face either the Yankee dollar or the Russian hammer and sickle without fear.

Why don't we do it? What in God's name are we afraid of? All our glorious past promises our people's capacity to face and overcome all human difficulties. Today our present summons us to do the great thing now—or die.

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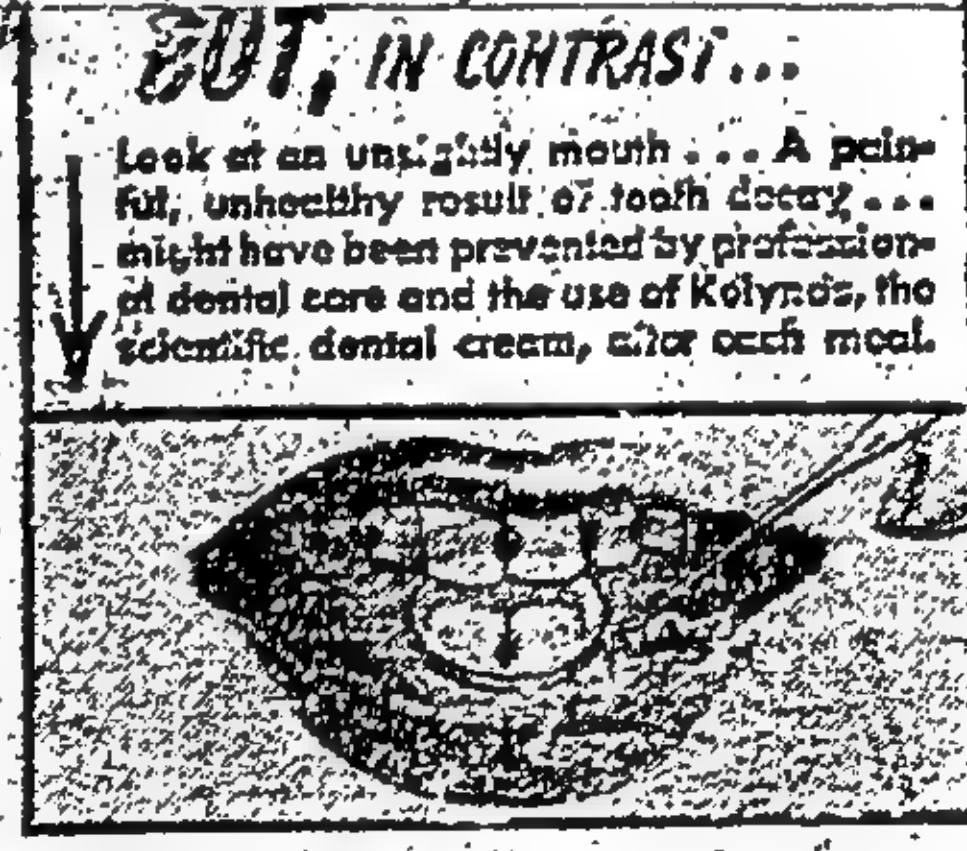
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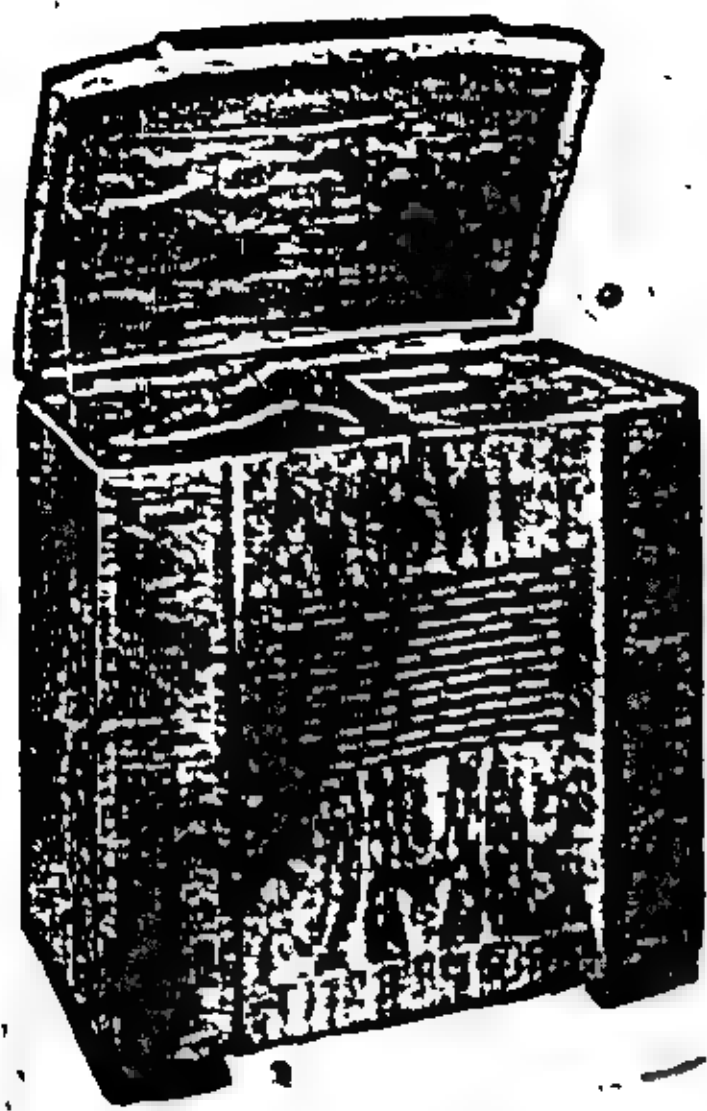


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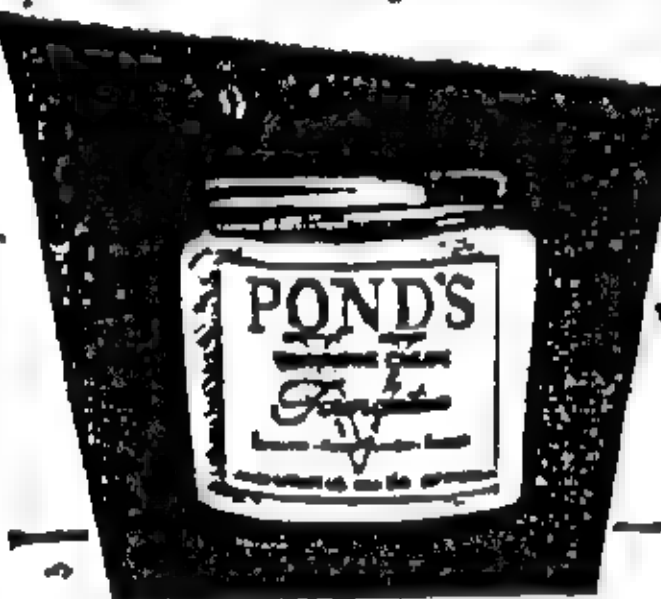
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U.S. POLICY IS NOT AFFECTED, ACHESON SAYS

Flushing, September 23.

The Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, said today that Russian possession of the atomic bomb will cause no change in American foreign policy.

He thinks it will have no bearing on forcing an early meeting of the Council of Foreign Ministers.



MR. ACHESON

Mr. Acheson said he knew of the Russian explosion when he delivered his major policy speech in the United Nations General Assembly on Wednesday.

There was no significance in the timing of President Truman's announcement, he said, and added that the central and important significance of the announcement was that the President announced the facts as soon as he was entirely sure of his ground.

Mr. Acheson said he could see no necessity for any change in the position of the United States in their approach to world control of atomic energy.

The majority of the United Nations insisted upon an effective method of control, he said.

Effective Plan Needed

He added that any plan agreed upon must be truly effective in practice unless it were to become a mere illusion on paper.

He thinks it would be foolish to break the secrecy which had surrounded the atomic talks.

Regarding the atomic conference among the United States, Britain and Canada, Mr. Acheson does not believe the Russian explosion will have much bearing on these negotiations.

The Secretary said he was assuming the Russians had manufactured an atomic weapon which they had successfully exploded.

Important Test

He told the press he had no knowledge of any other atomic exploit—in Russia or elsewhere.

He could not reveal precisely when or where the Russian explosion occurred.

He could not speculate on what was in the minds of the Government of Russia, but added that perhaps possession of an atomic weapon would provide a very important test of their intentions regarding atomic control.

The Russian explosion came as no surprise, he added.

Mr. Acheson also disclosed that the Western powers did not have knowledge of the explosion when the famous midnight conference by Mr. Truman and his Cabinet was held on atomic energy at Blair House—United Press.

MR. ALEXANDER GOING TO U.S.

London, September 23.

Mr. A. V. Alexander, Minister of Defence, is sailing for the United States in the liner Queen Elizabeth on Thursday to attend the first meeting of the Atlantic Pact Defence Council.

The meeting is expected to assume added importance as the Defence Ministers of the Atlantic Pact powers will be able to study, with the help of their military experts, the impact of the Soviet possession of the atomic bomb on the defence of Western Europe and the United States.

Apart from this urgent question, the Defence Council, which holds its first meeting on October 5, will plan measures to organise against possible aggression and will set up a military commission, to be made up of the Chiefs of Staff—Reuter.

GUAM CRASH

Tokyo, September 24.

A B-29 of the United States 19 Bombardment Wing crashed and exploded on Guam last night, killing eight men and critically injuring six others.

A preliminary report to Tokyo indicated that the Superfortress apparently had an engine failure a few seconds after its take-off on a routine training flight and it exploded on the runway—United Press.



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America Knew Of Soviet Bomb Within Few Hours

Washington, September 23.

A special corps of American observers flashed the news that Russia had produced an atomic explosion within a few hours of the detonation.

This was disclosed tonight by Mr. Frederick C. Osborn, permanent United States representative on the United Nations Atomic Energy Commission.

"I am sure the report is correct," he said.

"I know because we are equipped to know," I said in the Atomic Commission that we would know within a few hours of the change in the amount of radiation in the atmosphere. We have observers at different points."

Other comment was as follows: "The Dean of Canterbury, Dr. Hewlett Johnson, who was in Moscow in the past few weeks, stated: 'I would not be surprised to learn that such an explosion has occurred.'"

"I know the ability of the Russian scientists, but they are more secretive than other nations."

"I also know that they are more interested in atomic power for industrial purposes than in making explosions to kill people."

The Secretary of a prominent British scientist, Professor J. D. Bernal, who was in Russia with Dr. Johnson, said: "If the Professor had heard of or seen such an explosion he would have told me. He has revealed nothing of the test and I am quite sure that he was unaware of the reported explosion."

Scientists Silent

A spokesman of the British Atomic Scientists' Association, whose membership includes some of Britain's top-ranking atomic men, said: "The atomic detection agencies are all in Government hands—mainly in the United States."

"The Association has no means of recording such an explosion."

Government seismologists (who record earthquakes and other eruptions) said that without official permission they could make no statement.

But a Greenwich Observatory official declared: "It is most unlikely that a Russian explosion was recorded on our instruments because of Britain's geographical position."

Professor P.M.S. Blackett, a member of the Government Advisory Committee on Atomic Energy, declined to make any comment on the explosion.

A Nobel Prize winner, he aroused a storm of controversy a few months ago by supporting the Russian point of view on atom control.

Not Surprised

A spokesman of the Soviet Embassy in London said: "This is the first I have heard of it. I am not in a position to comment."

Canada's representative on the United Nations Atomic Energy Commission, General A.G.L. McNaughton, said: "I am not surprised. The explosion occurred a year before most people thought it would."

Mr. Eugene Rabinowitch, Editor of the Bulletin of Atomic Scientists, said in Washington: "No explosion could be made on a small scale. Any explosion would have to be of the magnitude of the atom bomb used on Japan."

From world capitals came these reports:

Berlin—Observers recalled official British reports of tens of thousands of German miners at Aue, or the Czechoslovak frontier, working in day and night shifts extracting uranium ore.

Paris—Mme. Irene Joliot-Curie, scientist wife of France's High Commissioner for Atomic Energy, said: "I do not suppose for one moment that President Truman and the British Government have made such statements lightly."

Evening papers, on getting the news of President Truman's announcement, at once prepared to put out special editions with the news under huge headlines on their front pages.

The Press Officer of the French Atomic Energy Commission—a Governmental body charged with atom research—

told of the Washington and London statements, said: "Until we have exact information, the Commission can make no comment."

Moscow Reaction

Ottawa—The Canadian Prime Minister, Mr. Louis St. Laurent, told the House of Commons today that his Government concurred in the decision of the United States and Britain to make the announcement of an atomic explosion in Russia.

Earlier, the Trade Minister, Mr. C. D. Howe, told a reporter that the new development would not change Canada's policy of not making atomic bombs.

Moscow—The Soviet-controlled Radio was the first radio station in the Soviet orbit to mention President Harry Truman's announcement that there had been an atomic explosion in Soviet Russia.

Its announcer said: "In London political circles, Truman's announcement is considered as an American admission that the Soviet Union possesses an atomic bomb. The propaganda of American superiority in this field, which anyhow was only fictitious, has thus finally collapsed."

In London, an informed military source said that United States military quarters reported last July to the Western European Union military authorities that they had recorded an atomic explosion in Russia.

The recording did not reveal whether the explosion was a bomb or an experimental blast.

The recording was a built-up pattern through various reports throughout the world of a tremendous earthquake in Asia, sources reported.

On a single day in July, the following stations recorded extraordinary earth tremors in Asia:

1. The Zurich Meteorological Station in Switzerland, which reported an earthquake somewhere in Asia.

2. The Atlantic Research Centre in London, whose correspondents in Eastern Iran reported a violent earthquake in Russia near the border of Eastern Iran. This report said the shock caused one-half of a mosque to collapse.

A few days later, this military source said, huge forest fires in Soviet territory were reported from the same area.

The source said: "Bearing in mind that it is in this area that the Russians have a hydro-electric plant for their atomic experiments, it may be possible that their first bomb went off half-cooked."

The authoritative military source said that half-cooked meant "it may very well have gone off by mistake."

He added: "Most significant was the fact that up until the time of the reported blast, the Russians had been boasting of their advance in atomic experiments. They have made no such boasts since July."—Reuter and United Press.

NORWAY'S ARMY CHIEF IN UK

Portsmouth, September 23.

General Ole Berg, Chief of the Norwegian Defence Staff, came to Portsmouth today on an official visit to Britain's navy base.

He was accompanied by three other high Norwegian armed forces officers and spent the day in seeing the submarine school, the navy yards and the naval ships in port.

Lieutenant-General Sir Gerald Templer, Vice-Chief of the Imperial General Staff, was his host this evening—Associated Press.

America Faced By "Crucial Dilemma"

Washington, September 23.

The chairman of the Congressional Atomic Energy Committee, Senator Brian McMahon, said today that Russia's atomic explosion brings the United States face to face with the most crucial dilemma of its history.

He urged Americans to avoid hysteria or panic while alerting all the world to the peril which the Kremlin policy involves.—United Press.

U.S. KNEW IT LAST WEDNESDAY

Washington, September 23.

The Acting chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission, Mr. Sumner Pile, said the United States high command had known about the Russian blast at least since Wednesday.

At that time, the chairman, Mr. David Lilienthal, who is on holiday at Martha's Vineyard, Massachusetts, was told about it in a telephone call from Washington.

The House-Senate Atomic Energy Committee was called in to emergency session to hear the President's statement.

The chairman, Senator Brian McMahon, had told the Senate only yesterday that Russia was bound to get the bomb sooner or later, but he had said: "We will still rely upon an overwhelmingly larger stockpile of our own as the principal warning to aggressors."

Authoritative State Department sources suggested that the United States has more details about the Soviet explosion than anyone else had indicated.

The precise date of the blast, where it occurred and how effective it was could not be revealed in any case, they said, for security reasons.

As to the effectiveness of the Russian explosion, one bedrock fact is known—there is no such thing as a small atomic blast. Atomic explosives cannot be detonated in quantities smaller than the critical size, which this country had hoped was secret.

Atomic explosives in that critical quantity are not merely effective—they are city-wrecking.—United Press.

CHINA PICTURE NOT HOPELESS

Manila, September 24.

The American-owned "Daily Bulletin" said in an editorial today, "The inexorable progress of Mao-Tse-tung's army is a de facto phenomenon which all the Nationalist statements in the world cannot mitigate."

"Amoy's predicament brings the Chinese civil war closer to the Philippines, both geographically and psychologically, and the next Communist objective will be Canton."

The "Bulletin" said that a successful military campaign against Canton would leave Hong Kong isolated from the non-Communist world except for British sea and air power.

The picture is not a pretty one, but it is not hopeless. Britain and the United States are in close accord on the attitude they will eventually adopt toward Mao's new People's Republic.

Both are more concerned with the fate of the Chinese people than with the form of the Chinese government.—United Press.

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Powder Keg Of Europe

For well over a century the Balkans have been the powder keg of Europe. Their internecine quarrels, their savage little wars, their family feuds and political vendettas have cut right across any attempt at solving their problems of the Continent.

Now, once again, it is there, between the plains of Bohemia and the classic isle of Kythera, that the cold war blows hottest. The explosion might come at any moment. And it is likely that the fuse will be Albania.

"Shkiperia" or the "Land of the Sons of the Eagle," as its inhabitants call it, is small, remote, and impoverished. Few Westerners ever want to go there. A lot of Albanians, in fact, love it none too well, preferring to emigrate to Greece or the United States.

But those who remain to live in the green mountain fastnesses are tough, rough, and ready at any time and for any reason to roll up their sleeves and "take on anybody."

The fact that today Albania is Communist, at least on the surface, makes little difference to the country's puny aggressiveness. Almost singlehanded and with much Marxian bombast, Albania today is "taking on" its two larger neighbours, Yugoslavia and Greece.

Greek Reds Aided

Five years after the war, it has not even signed a peace treaty with Nationalist Greece

The son of a carpet trader, Hoxha spent two years at Brussels University, learning French and boasting to his fellow-students of his father's wealth. But back home in Tirana, Hoxha found that his father had died, leaving him a poor man.

Went To Moscow

He taught French for some years in a local school, and then unaccountably opened a tobacco kiosk on the city's main square. Pursued by King Zog's sleuths,

By JOHN LARRAINE

who did not like his republican talk, Hoxha took to the road again, and ended up in Moscow, where the Russians taught him many a useful thing.

But reports indicate that they did not like him. He was empty-headed and vain. The day was dawning, however, when Hoxha's usefulness to Moscow outweighed his vanity, and in the spring of 1944 he was sent back to Albania on the heels of the German and Italian occupants.

Within 18 months, with the help of a few Albanian expatriates and a handful of Soviet agents he had taken over Albania, a country which had never heard of Communism. A carefully-rigged election showed that 97 per cent of Albanians had voted for Hoxha and his "Popular Liberation Front."

The rest Catholics and Orthodox have not taken kindly to Hoxha's decrees. In the country, his attempt at introducing collective farms has failed everywhere.

Peasants have often refused to send their wool and hides and market produce to the cities, and Tirana has been on the verge of famine more than once. In the cities, the Government's co-operatives are without customers while traders still shout their wares to every passer by.

There is no black market for the simple reason that the whole country has refused to knuckle under to Government price regulations.

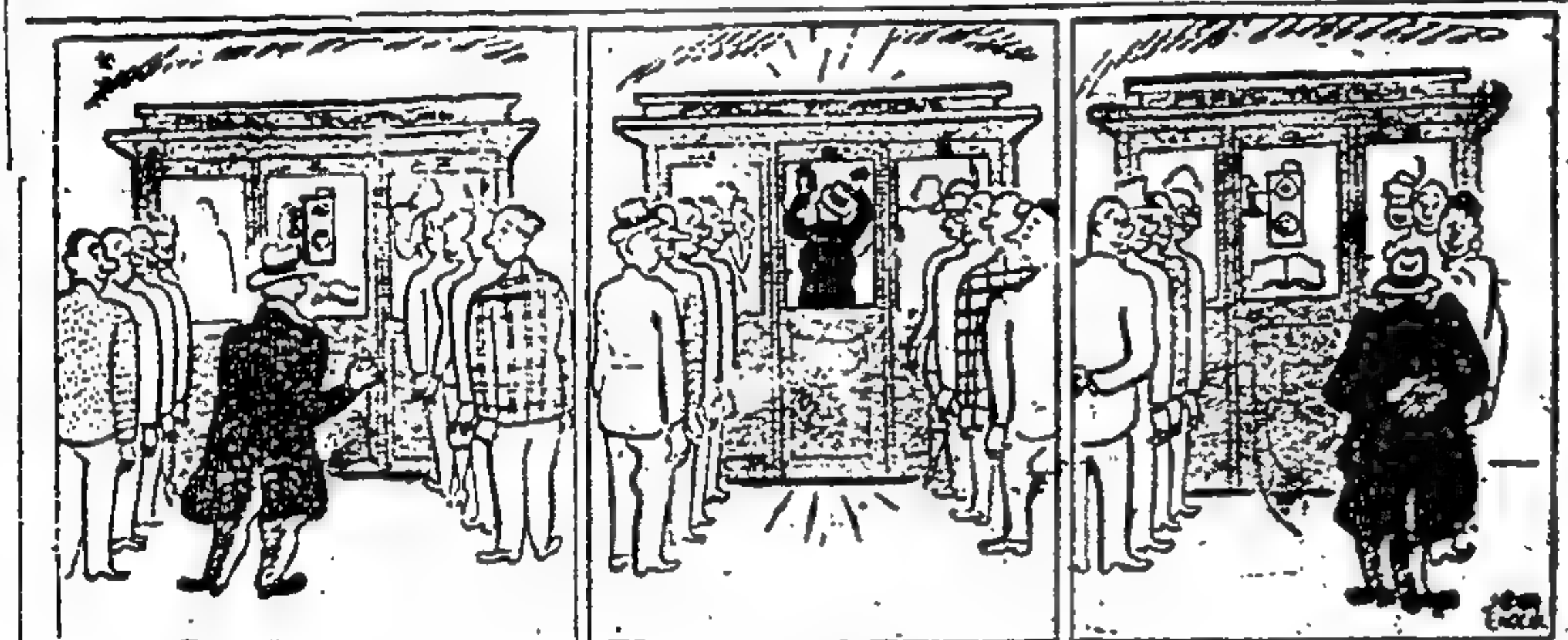
Many Albanians live today as they lived under Zog or the Italian occupation, completely unimpressed by any Government. They pay few taxes, read no newspapers, never go to the cinema (there are only two in the country), and have no political allegiance.

Their whole life is still centred around the clan, in which elders have the last say and women no say at all.

'Stalin Street'

Even Tirana is less a capital city than a large, sprawling dusty village where Hoxha has been busy renaming streets after Stalin, Voroshilov, and Zhdanov. A square which still sees posts and cattle ambling along is dutifully labelled Red Square.

Water is turned on twice a week for a few hours, for the



OUT OF ORDER

and it still helps, with all its resources, the last battalions of Communism in Greece.

In their recent drive around Vlorë, Greek Government forces captured several members of an Albanian regiment and found that Communist guerrillas were equipped with Albanian weapons and ate Albanian ration. Whenever they get a little too green they get a little too hard to support from Albanian batteries across the frontier. If they are routed, they infiltrate back into Albania, rest and recuperate before another assault.

Greece and Albania accuse each other of frontier violations. United Nations observers, who daily study the positions from some hilltop in Epirus, report that most of these violations are Albanian, that regardless of cost in human lives and supplies Greek forces steer clear of the frontier.

Good at Invective

Albania's quarrel with Tito's Yugoslavia features less shooting but more talking, the latter of a kind which could only take place between two former friends both well steeped, in Communist invective.

In June last year, when Tito was first repudiated by the Cominform, Albania lost no time in siding with Moscow. It sent 3,000 Yugoslav technicians packing across the frontier, denounced a trade treaty which was largely in its favour, and decided to do without the railway Tito's men were building between Scutari and the port of Durazzo.

For Russia's strategists, held back in Greece and pushed out of Belgrade, it was a useful gain. Albania would be Russia's window on the Adriatic.

The man who counts in Albania today is a 38-year-old extrovert with a handsome presence, a cold eye for a good uniform. He was born plain Enver Hoxha (pronounced Hodja) but today he calls himself General and has his portrait plastered on every vacant wall in Tirana, the capital.

Hoxha became Premier, moved into King Zog's white villa, and ordered himself a dozen dove-grey uniforms from a tailor in "capitalist" Athens.

But Hoxha found that his troubles were only beginning. Among the new Communist aristocracy were men far more intelligent than he. His Minister of Education and Culture, Moscow-trained Dr. Malleshova, stole the limelight by decreeing a full-scale programme of popular education.

In a country where 84 per cent of the people are illiterate and cannot even vote except with coloured ballot paper, Dr. Malleshova picked a handful of likely youths, hammered learning into them, and sent them out into the mountains in a fleet of specially-equipped mobile classrooms.

One of the "educators" never got back to Tirana: the "Sons of the Eagle" objected to his modern ways and murdered him.

But the others did good work, and Dr. Malleshova got the credit.

Hoxha's biggest bugbear, however, was his Minister of the Interior, Koci Xoxe (pronounced Djodje). In Communist countries the Minister of the Interior is traditionally the most powerful man, and Xoxe was no exception.

A brilliant politician and eloquent speaker, he soon had the country in the palm of his hand. With Russian help he built up the police and a special security force; at Cabinet meetings he often shouted Hoxha down.

But in June last year, Xoxe took a risky step; he sided with Marshal Tito in the Belgrade-Moscow dispute. By November, with the help of two visiting Russian Commissioners, Hoxha had got the better of him. Xoxe and a dozen other prominent Albanians were expelled from the Party, and a fortnight later shot by a firing squad.

Only Skin-Deep

Communism is but skin-deep in Albania. The people, 60 per cent of whom are Moslems and

mainly are inadequate. The city has telephone-booths which are left unconnected. Even Hoxha's own impressive battery of coloured telephones do not work.

Albania has few riches. The trickle of oil which used to flow Northwards to Yugoslavia now goes to Russia via the few Soviet tankers which call at Durazzo.

Every week a Soviet transport plane lands at Tirana airport; its load usually includes a couple of Soviet pep-men, bundles of pamphlets, and arms and ammunition for the Greek rebels and Albanian's police force.

It never takes off empty; Albanian grain and hides, tungsten and copper are destined for the Soviet Union.

This plane and the few ships are Albania's only contacts with the outside world, for the borders of Greece and Yugoslavia are sealed from the outside.

A Nuisance

In post-war Europe, Albania has been mainly a nuisance. Never recognised by Britain or America, it has shelled British warships and prevented United States merchantmen from calling; it has not allowed one single Westerner, apart from the lone French Minister, to settle in the country. It has consistently disregarded all international regulations regarding fishing, communications, etc.

Now Hoxha is up against Tito himself. The latter knows that Moscow's long arm may well reach through his Southern door, and he is taking precautions. Rumours indicate that if he is pressed, Tito might secure Albania for himself.

The Greeks, on the other hand, are known to despise Hoxha's regime, and if Tito started a scramble, they would need little encouragement to march into Albania. In which event, Enver Hoxha might need more than a nice uniform to impress his visitors.

FREE FOR ALL

By JOHN HALL

Next on the list is State-aided legal advice—free for anyone who has a disposable income of less than £3 a week, partly free for anyone whose "disposable income" is less than £8 a week.

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More Than £500

How much those who do not qualify for everything free will be required to pay will depend on their incomes and whether they have any savings, but whatever your income you will not be eligible for free or State-aided legal assistance if you have more than £500 tucked away in the bank.

Start of the new service—staff is now being recruited—has been fixed for next July. Experts estimate that the cost, to be met as usual by the taxpayer, will run at just under £4,500,000 a year.

There are pessimists who note how the nation has grabbed at doctoring, medicine, teeth, and spectacles "on the house," and they wonder whether assisted legal aid too will unleash an avalanche of litigation.

For Visitors Too

Like the other services, State-aided legal help will also be available to foreign visitors so long as they come within those "disposable income" limits and that capital qualification. But it will be law for use here only; they will not be able to take it home with them.

The planners do not expect a rush. There are some members of the legal profession, however, who say frankly:

"Just you wait and see. In effect this is an extension of the Poor Persons Legal Aid scheme that has operated for years. Poor Persons Aid is limited to people with income of not more than £4 a week. The new limit makes State-aided law available to a large section of the population."

"Doctors, dentists, and opticians are having great pickings and without doubt many solicitors are going to do well out of this new scheme. Thousands of people who were frightened away from the courts, especially the civil courts, because of the cost, will now step in."

Divorce Actions

Those feuds about fences or crowing cockerels in Ascelia Avenue will qualify, so will divorce actions and matrimonial suits, so will those back-street fringes that often lead to bad blood and black eyes.

Mechanics of this law for everyman and everywoman is that the country will be divided into areas (12 in England and Wales), each with a headquarters and headquarters staff, comprising a full-time solicitor as secretary (salary £1,500 to £1,900 a year), a full-time legal adviser (£1,200 to £1,450 a year), a staff of peripatetic solicitors (£700 to £1,000 a year), who will travel about the area giving advice; and clerks and secretarial staff.

The work of each area will be supervised by a committee of 18 (four barristers and 12 solicitors), who will be paid so much per session, plus travelling and incidental expenses.

In the cities and big towns the legal advice bureaux will be open every day, and evenings too, so that people can pop in after work for advice.

In the smaller towns and villages, bureaux will be open on certain days and people seeking advice will have to attend on a particular day—by appointment. But in the first place he will probably go to your local legal

advice bureau and have a 20-minute session with the advising solicitor.

The planners hope that thousands of intended lawsuits will stop at this point—that the advising solicitor will be able to convince the caller that he or she has nothing to go to law about. Decision whether he is eligible or not to be an "assisted litigant" (the new name for the people who get State legal advice) is passed to the NAB at a later stage.

Public Expense

Once the local committee decide that he has a good case they will have power to back him through to the highest court, even to the House of Lords if necessary, at public expense.

Estimates of what the advice service is going to cost have been based on past averages that one person in 1,000 needs legal advice once a year. Whether that average will persist when advice becomes available to millions more people—well, that is something we have to wait to find out.

PEER MAKES GOOD

By ARTHUR MORLEY

Lord Fairfax of Cameron, former Grenadier Guards officer and old Etonian, has become the Australians' favourite peer. He is 26, good-looking and an excellent mixer ("Call me Tom"). But the real basis of his popularity is that he tells the Australians what they want most to hear—that millions of Britons and their industrial wealth can and should be transported to Australia.

He believes the British people should be taken to the source of food and raw materials, instead of taking the food and materials to the British people.

Australians are applauding vigorously from one end of the country to the other.

Lord Fairfax wants to move to the Dominions 10 to 15 millions of British workers, with their families, factories and business organisations.

He says that British economic troubles are due basically to the fact that food and raw materials must be imported. He would siphon off all population above the number British agriculture could feed.

His welcome in Canberra was warm. He has received the blessing of the Australian Immigration Minister (Mr. Arthur Calwell), who put a similar plan before members of the British Cabinet. Calwell was disappointed at the lack of enthusiastic support in Whitehall and Downing Street.

Lord Fairfax has also been given the support of the Prime Minister, Mr. J. B. Chifley. But whereas Lord Fairfax talked broad principles with Federal Government leaders, he got down to business with the State Government premiers.

Lord Fairfax received assurances of Queensland Government's support before touring possible factory sites in the tropical North of the State.

Whether or not his plans succeed, Lord Fairfax has succeeded in reviving the Australian interest in the prospects of mass-migration. Australians are willing to welcome millions of Britons. But they tend to overlook the difficulties of transport, housing and their expansion of their industrial system necessary to employ and provide goods for more millions.

A strain can already be detected on the nation's hospitals and education system. But the average Australian sees little wrong with Lord Fairfax's proposals.



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Robin Hood—this is the name given by Parisian designer Jean Patou to this ensemble which appears in his new autumn collection. It consists of a dress in green, red and white plaid with three large pockets closed by large plywood buttons. Associated Press Photo.



This very full brown camelhair coat closed up to the neck and worn with a fluffy woollen cossack hat appears in the new autumn collection of Parisian designer Christian Dior and is called "Alezan". Associated Press Photo.

SUPERLATIVES IN FABRICS

By JANET MARTIN

Lines may be simpler, silhouettes neater, but the fabrics of our autumn silks must be described in superlatives.

The shiniest of satins; the stiffest taffetas; the richest brocades, the most unusual weaves—these are the ingredients for autumn afternoons and evenings. Velvet brocades combining the appearance of satin and taffeta, brocades with woven stripes and spots, dark shades dotted with white and gold; taffetas with satin and threaded with gold; the richness of these fabrics calls for the compliment of simple styling.

You will find these frocks among your most useful acquisitions of the season. They can be worn any time after lunch. With the appropriate accessories (of course!) they are equally fashion-right for afternoon tea, for informal dining out, for theatre and restaurant wear. Underline rich fabric and simplicity of cut for your guide to autumn elegance. Be sparing with trimmings and almost parsimonious with jewellery. Restrict yourself to just one touch, to give point to the ensemble. A special dress ring, a pair of choice earrings, or a favourite bracelet—one at a time, never all together when you are wearing fashions which are eye-catching in themselves.

Favourite Combination

Black, with a touch of white or gold, is a favourite combination. Take a taffeta brocade, woven in broad stripes alternating glossy and dull, sprinkled over with dots of gold. This is styled with jacket shaped bodice, the V-neckline rolling back to form a collar with wide points lying back on the shoulders. The skirt is flared, stripes meeting in points down the centre seams, with front gathers and the popular fluted pockets. The only trimming is a wide belt and buckle of the same material. If you choose three quarter sleeves,

wear a gold bracelet and small gold earrings; with long sleeves, earrings alone are sufficient.

Plaid designs and patterns inspired by plaids are appearing everywhere, in taffetas and silks as well as in woollens. One ray model from a London house is made from plaid taffeta in lemon, grey and black, with a narrow satin stripe woven into the black background.

This has a sun-ray pleated

skirt, long sleeves and attached bolero front which can be buttoned up to the neck or thrown open to reveal a little waistcoat vest of lemon satin.

Iridescent Toffetas
Iridescent taffetas have made a specially successful bid for favour. They have a gleaming, sumptuous look and a fascinating interplay of shade and colour. My favourite is a rich, dark

drake's neck green, shot with russet brown. The style is ultra simple, with picture-frame neckline and flared skirt. Two jutting pockets over the hips give that one special touch, while the only jewellery is a link of deep amber beads.

Among the plain silks add crepe satin and heavy slipper satin to the list of favourites. The soft, scrape-satin is more suitable for graceful draped or gathered styles, while the stiffer slipper satin can be tailored almost like cloth. Of two models specially noted, one, in crepe satin, is gathered on the right shoulder and draped across the bodice to the left side of the waist, while a flying panel is gathered into the waist seam, containing the draped line to the hem.

The model in slipper satin is a two-piece, with narrow strapless sheath and a hip-length jacket folded in stiff, unpressed pleats on the shoulders, collarless, with cross-over front and deep pockets turned up from the jacket hem and jutting out at the tops.

RECIPES

Cheese Sticks

- 8 ozs. flour
- 3 ozs. finely grated cheese
- 1 teasp. celery salt
- 2 ozs. margarine

Small shake cayenne pepper. Beat egg. Sift flour into bowl and rub in fat evenly. Mix with two ounces cheese, pepper, and celery salt. Make into a firm dough with cold water, and leave to stand for a quarter of an hour before rolling out.

Roll to a quarter of an inch thick, cut into strips of four or five inches wide, and then across into strips of half an inch. Place carefully on baking sheets. Brush over with egg, and sprinkle with the rest of the cheese. Bake in a moderate oven for 10 to 15 minutes until cooked but light in colour.

Pastry For Bouchées Or Canapés

Quantities given below should be sufficient for about a dozen guests.

- 1 lb. plain flour
- 1 level teasp. salt
- Cold water to mix
- 1 tablesp. dried egg
- 6 oz. margarine or other fat

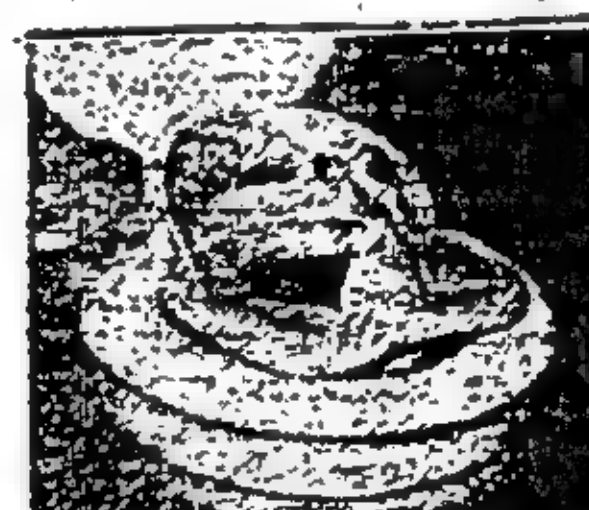
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Meat Fillings For Bouchées

Make a thick white sauce, and mix with minced or finely cut-up chicken, or other cooked meat. Add a suspicion of grated lemon rind. Colour and flavour with paprika, pepper. Season well, add pile mixture into the cases. Garnish with parsley or watercress sprigs.

Egg And Mushroom Filling

Use 1 lb. mushrooms, 1 oz. margarine, 2 hard-boiled eggs, 1 pint thick white sauce, salt and pepper. Peel mushrooms. Shake dry, and fry both tops and stalks in margarine until cooked through, but still soft. Chop coarsely, and mix with the chopped eggs. Tie in which they were fried, the sauce and seasoning. Arrange mixture in cases and sprinkle with chopped parsley.



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The Outline Of Beauty:

LOVELY LIMBS FOR THE LADY

By CLAUDIA

When we come to consider arms and legs in their relation to the outline of beauty, the trouble is invariably one of two things. Either they are too thin, angular and bony, or they are too solid, fat and ungainly.

Sometimes, in addition, there is a roughness of skin texture at the bony parts, where the covering of flesh is thin—the elbows and knees particularly.

Normalising treatment consists of the same routine of massage and exercise which helps to strengthen and develop the muscles while, at the same time, surplus fatty tissue is worked away.

Improvements will never take place overnight but if limbs mar your outline of beauty, you can help yourself to the exact degree of your perseverance.

Diet has an important place in any plan for reducing or building up, but where thinness or fatness is primarily due to an unbalanced diet, the results are general and the problem must be tackled from a wider angle.

Even so, there are many special cases, such as the tall, slim girl whose arms and legs look too thin because she is large-boned. The best answer for her is to try to add a few pounds to her general weight, by increasing her intake of flesh-forming foods—butter, milk and fats.

At the same time is a splendid strengthening exercise for wrists and ankles. Swimming about the best general exercise of all, is especially good for the arms and legs; the crawl kick is unbeatable for counteracting flabbiness of the thighs.

Rowing and cycling are not sports we indulge in here but you can copy the movements at home. Sit on a chair, legs together, arms outstretched at the sides. Lean forward and bring the palms together, lean back, opening the arms wide to side and back, contracting the tummy muscles and stretching the arm muscles. Repeat 10 times.

"Cycle" On The Floor

"Cycle" lying on your back on the floor, legs raised high, hips supported on your hands. "Pedal" away, bending and stretching the legs vigorously.

Exercises at home include: toe-wriggling and ankle-twisting, lying on the bed with the feet projecting over the side; Finger exercises, playing an imaginary piano and arching the fingers as your music teacher used to make you do; wrist shaking, hands flopping limply from the wrists, then shaken, round and round, up and down.

In the bath, scrub those bony places with rich lather on a soft nailbrush. After the bath, massage with olive oil for building up, with talc when you want to reduce. Massage always from fingertips up, towards the shoulder from toes towards the thigh. Knead the flesh firmly, deeply and smoothly. For building, finish with a soothing massage with rich skinfood; for reducing, a brisk rub with friction lotion.

Extra Pounds

Invariably, she can stand those few extra pounds. She will look all the better for them and her arms and legs will gain their share in added shapeliness.

Sometimes, however, it is only the limbs which are out of balance, and here exercise and massage have the biggest part to play.

Exercise for the limbs need not all take place in the bedroom, for some of the very best exercises for normalising the limbs are to be found among active sports.

Tennis and badminton are wonderful for slimming the upper arms as well as the waist-line. Table tennis will help to get rid of that spare tyre, but at

Ann Temple Love And Friendship

A friend of mine has married a conceited, spineless, lazy, demanding, self-giving, fickle, irresponsible, friendless, stubborn waster.

She is deeply in love with him, and he is ruining her life. She is continually being reduced to tears by his behavior, but she is always ready to creep back.

She has declined noticeably in personality, and all her friends would do anything to help her. But what can they do?—ONE OF THEM.

A STUNNING batch of adjectives you have there! He certainly stands revealed.

But don't let them blind you and your friends to the reality that she did marry him and is still emotionally enslaved by him.

Possibly a time will come when she sees clear and then indeed she will need your friendship. No awakening is more bitter than an awakening from a deadly self-deceiving passion.

It is said that you can not watch and wait the tragedy going its unwhirling way, but really all you can wisely do is to give her constant proof of your friendship without overstepping into what she would call interference.

I can't remember a book a week after I've read it. Name, characters, all gone. Worse, I even find it hard to remember from day to day the book I am reading. Each time I take it up I find I've forgotten what I read the day before, and have to go back several pages to link up the threads.

This is a real problem, for I have always loved reading.—ELISE.

This is happening to so many people that I am beginning to look for its cause in the conditions of life today.

There are so many distracting small worries, so insistent an intrusion from the world around, from the hatreds and contentions around us that peace in the mind is harder than ever to come by. People are tired and under-nourished too and that always affects the memory.

But you will find that making notes while reading and after finishing the book helps. This strengthens the impressions. Then, when you forget, turn to the notes and let the whole come back to you. Notice I say "let" it come back. It will come back of its own while your mind plays round the notes.

What is the mental outlook of people who write letters to the murderer who is guilty of a hideous crime? Also of the people who wait at the prison gates to hear the bell toll when he pays the penalty?

Is there anything commendable about this sort of thing? It is a perverted form of pity?—J. W. S.

The tender emotion of pity is always commendable, but pity does not seek this expression. Many feel pity, but the emotion generally aroused is a moral indignation that calls for the justice of punishment.

What these letter-writers see is an opportunity to feel important. Thwarted in their own lives, lacking moral courage, they use the trapped as a safety valve for their own frustration. Writing from their vantage point of safety and incalculability gives them a feeling of superiority.

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BURNS.

Women have always been such puny slaves to Fashion that they will follow any new "creation" like sheep, without any regard to its suitability to their individual structure.

When the French "Fashion Maniac" presented the "New Look" to the feminine world, millions of women, fat and slim, tall and short, lowered the hems of their skirts, frocks and what-nots.

Granted that there was something exquisite about the "New Look." But how many women wore it with the distinction which it so positively demanded? Do they make themselves believe that in each and every change of fashion they ascend from one triumph to another yet more admirable? Even if they do make themselves believe, can they really make their menfolk believe? We are rather dubious about it. We do not think that, whatever high note Fashion may strike, each and every feminine figure will instantly and magically respond to it.

By starting the "New Look," the French "creator" has certainly let loose upon this terraqueous globe millions of women looking from ravishing to ridiculous, attractive to absurd and pretty to pathetic. It would appear that he had his eyes more on the franc than fashion.

Beau Brummel Days

Thank Heaven, for us men the days of Beau Brummel have definitely passed, without any fear

work. Anything that calls them out together in a crowd—particularly anything savouring of sensationalism—fascinates them.

In some self-importance is also acting. They can boast afterwards "I heard the bell toll." But it is the gregarious instinct that is most powerful. It must be remembered that it is not so very long ago that executions were public and drew huge crowds.

of their return. We have arrived at a compromise and we intend to stay at it. We have accepted a style of dressing which is at least utilitarian, and which more or less conceals our more obvious shortcomings. There is nothing adventurous, nothing dashing about it, but we can claim that we are not to be bullied into wearing what can only make us a ludicrous or pathetic spectacle.

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INDIA AND PAKISTAN QUARREL OVER RUPEE

New Delhi, September 23.

Authoritative quarters here describe Pakistan's reported charge against India of "unilateral action" in devaluing the Indian rupee and of infringement of the payments agreement between the two countries as "entirely baseless." Pakistan herself, these circles said, had "infringed" the payments agreement by deciding not to devalue her rupee.

India had protested to the Pakistan Government against "infringement of the payments agreement," they added. Authoritative quarters said that Pakistan was not a member of the International Monetary Fund and had no par value for its rupee in terms of gold or dollars.

The relations between the Indian rupee and the Pakistan rupee were fixed at par under the payments agreement. Under this agreement balances between India and Pakistan were settled either in rupees or Sterling at an official parity rate of 1s. 6d. a rupee.

When Britain decided to devalue Sterling, India, with reference to the par value of the Indian rupee as declared to the International Monetary Fund, proposed to devalue to the same extent as Sterling though maintaining the previous Sterling exchange rate.

Pakistan Told

Authoritative circles said that this proposal did not amount to any alteration in the rate of exchange between the Indian rupee and the Pakistan rupee but was in effect only a continuance of parity. Though India was under no obligation to consult Pakistan, she informed Pakistan of her intentions sufficiently in advance, the authoritative quarters added. Pakistan, by not devaluing her currency along with Sterling, altered the parity between the Indian rupee and the Pakistan rupee and at the same time did not inform India of her intentions.

The Government of India had not yet received any communication from the Pakistan Government regarding its new currency exchange rates, and the Indian Reserve Bank was unable to quote rates for the Pakistan rupee till such communication was received.—Reuter.

Bombay Goes Back To Work

Bombay, September 23.

Bombay today resumed normal banking and business activities after a five-day holiday, a Sunday, three banks holidays following currency devaluation and an enforced holiday as a result of the second heaviest deluge of the century.

Under an overcast sky and an incessant drizzle, following a record downpour of 35.53 inches in 36 hours, city banks did not resume normal banking and business activities. Banking and financial transactions with Pakistan took place pending the settlement of exchange rates. People who wanted to exchange Pakistan currency for Indian rupees were disappointed.

The bullion market opened firm, silver and gold recording a slight rise this afternoon. Cotton showed a slightly downward tendency after the opening.

The Reserve Bank of India sold 500 bars of silver at 159 rupees (two annas) and offered another 500 bars for sale on Monday.—Reuter.

BOMBAY COTTON DECISION

Bombay, September 23.

Cotton merchants in Bombay today decided not to import Pakistan cotton for the current season following Pakistan's refusal to devalue her rupee in line with the other sterling countries.

A spokesman of the merchants told Reuter that the decision was also adopted in view of the "pernicious" propaganda carried on by Pakistan leaders against Indian cotton textiles.

Cotton imports from Pakistan to India last year totalled 300,000 bales, he said. This was one-twelfth of the requirements for Indian mills.

"We are hopeful of bridging this gap easily by imports from Egypt and East Africa," the spokesman said.

Under a revision in the inter-Dominion agreement, Pakistan was to supply 450,000 bales of cotton to India this year.—Reuter.

YAMPIRE JET IN TROUBLE

Rome, September 23.

Five Royal Air Force Vampire jet fighters today made emergency landings near Brescia, about 50 miles East of Milan, in the Northern Italian plain.

A spokesman of the British Embassy in Rome said that only one of the planes was in difficulty. The others had force-landed immediately in accordance with instructions that they should all land if one was in trouble. The spokesman said that he had not been informed that the pilot of one plane had been killed, but only that he had broken a leg.—Reuter.

WHISKY THEFT CHARGE

Berlin, September 23.

The British Control Commission High Court today acquitted Thomas Huber, Assistant Administrative Commandant of Berlin, on charges of stealing 50 bottles of whisky, the property of the British community in Berlin.

He was also acquitted of a second count of making false entries in his books, designed to show that the whisky had been delivered to a club in Berlin.—Reuter.

NEW DELHI FIRE

New Delhi, September 23.

Thousands of gallons of kerosene oil were destroyed in a fire which broke out in the Burnah Shell Oil Company's oil-dump in the railway yard in the Old City of Delhi today.

Fire engines fought the flames for four hours before the fire was brought under control. No casualties were reported but eight firemen received severe burns in quenching the fire.—Reuter.

KING GUSTAV

Stockholm, September 23.

Two more doctors were today called in to see 91-year-old King Gustav of Sweden, who is suffering from bronchitis and general debility. Later a bulletin said that his condition does not appear to give cause for any anxiety.—Reuter.

New York Stock Exchange

New York, September 24.

Rails lifted the stock market higher again on Friday.

Utilities also were strong. Elsewhere the general trend was upward, but minus signs were also numerous. Changes either way were mostly fractional.

Buying again appeared based on optimism over prospects of labour peace in the steel, coal and auto industries. Transfers totalled 1,280,000 shares.

Gainers included Commonwealth and Southern, Santa Fe, Western Union, United Gas, Consolidated Edison, Warner Brothers. Among losers were U.S. Smelting, Woolworth, Dime Mines, McIntyre Porcupine, Dow Jones Average: Stocks 65.39.

20 Industrials 181.30.
15 Rails 47.78.
10 Utilities 38.19.
Closing quotations:
Adams Express 20 1/2.
Alaska Juneau 3 1/2.
American Can 9 1/2.
American Smelting 47 1/2.
American Telephone 142 1/2.
American Tobacco 7 1/2.
American Waterworks 7 1/2.
Anaconda Copper 27.
Aviation Corp 5 1/2.
Pawson Locomotive 10.
Barnsdall 49 1/2.
Bendix Aviation 23 1/2.
Bethlehem Steel 26.
Boeing Aircraft 19 1/2.
Borden Co. 45.
Canadian Pacific 14 1/2.
Chrysler 5 1/2.
Colgate 38 1/2.
Commercial Solvents 15 1/2.
Corn Products 63.
Du Pont 52 1/2.
Eastman Kodak 43 1/2.
General Electric 37 1/2.
General Motors 62.
Goodrich 63.
Goodyear 39 1/2.
Homestake Mining 43 1/2.
International Harvester 26 1/2.
International Paper 58 1/2.
International Tel & Tel 9 1/2.
Johns Manville 40 1/2.
Kamco Copper 46.
Kingsway Ward 5 1/2.
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New York Central 10 1/2.
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Reynolds Tobacco 39 1/2.
Schlitz 29.
Sears Roebuck 40 1/2.
Shell Oil 35 1/2.
Socony Vacuum 16 1/2.
Southern Pacific 41 1/2.
Standard Brands 20 1/2.
Standard Oil of Calif. 68 1/2.
Standard Oil of N.J. 70.
Studebaker 24 1/2.
Union Carbide 39 1/2.
U.S. Rubber 33 1/2.
U.S. Steel 23 1/2.
U.S. Lines 14 1/2.
Westinghouse 25.
Youngstown Sheet & Tube 65 1/2.
Gen. Pub. Utilities 15.
—Associated Press.

NY RUBBER

New York, September 24.

Crude rubber 30¢ futures closed 10¢ higher to 25¢ lower with sales of 188 contracts.

September - 17.00; December 16.30; March 16.15; May 15.85.
Spot No. 1 ribbed smoked sheets 17 nominal.—Associated Press.

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Japanese Copper Shipments

Tokyo, September 24.

Indications mounted today that General MacArthur's Headquarters is expanding its investigation to include all export shipments of some 10,000 tons of war potential Japanese copper in order to learn if any are going behind the Iron Curtain.

The mystery deepened as to the ultimate destination of some 6,000 tons when spokesmen for the French, Belgian and Netherlands missions to Japan denied they approved export contracts naming their countries as the ultimate destinations of the strategic war materials.

The spokesmen said all goods of Japanese origin sold to the three dollar short Western European nations must have contracts validated by their missions according to trade agreements with General MacArthur's Headquarters.

Trans-Shipped

At Antwerp

SCAP acknowledged that it was investigating reports that copper shipments were trans-shipped at Antwerp for Czechoslovakia or Poland.

Officials did not explain how the contracts were validated without the French, Belgian or Netherlands concurrence.

Major General B. D. Chavallier, chief of the Belgian mission, said: "I have no idea where the copper went after it reached the consignee in Antwerp which is an open port. I only know it did not go to Belgium because no import licence was issued there for it."

Another shipment of copper to London also was under investigation, SCAP officials said after reports reached Tokyo that no British import licence was issued for it.

In Tokyo the American agent of the British firm which bought the copper announced his resignation as the firm's representative in Japan.—United Press.

U.S. BALANCE OF TRADE

Washington, September 23.

Despite almost worldwide dollar restrictions, America sold more and bought less in the first half of this year.

An official survey here shows that the United States built up a favourable trade balance of \$3,226,000,000—a rise of nearly one-third compared with the second half of 1948.

American imports from Marshall Plan countries as a group dropped 14 per cent.

The biggest export increases were to France and Italy. Imports from Canada fell sharply.—Reuter.

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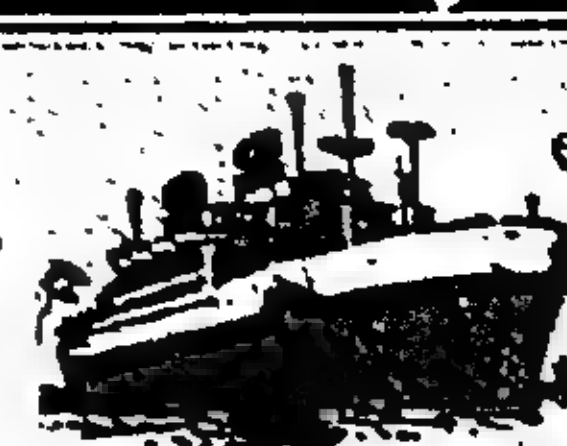
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"BENRINNES" do		21st Nov.
"BENARTY" do		28th Nov.
"BENVORLICH" do		10th Dec.

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SHIP	TO	LOADING
"BENAVON" London, Antwerp		8th Oct.
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"BENLEDI" burg & Hull		5th Nov.
"BENLAVERS" do		23rd Nov.
"BENWEVIS" Liverpool, Glasgow		8th Oct.
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"NINGHAI"	Kobe & Yokohama	5 p.m. 26th Sept.
"SOOCHOW"	Incheon, Pusan & Moji	5 p.m. 27th Sept.
"SHENGKING"	Swatow	6 p.m. 27th Sept.
HEINRICH JESSEN	Singapore & Penang	Noon 30th Sept.
"FENGTIEN"	Singapore, Macassar, Sourabaya, Samarang & Batavia	5 p.m. 6th Oct.
"HANYANG"	Bangkok	5 p.m. 9th Oct.
Sails from Custodian Wharf.		
ARRIVALS FROM		
"TSINAN"	Swatow	a.m. 28/27th Sept.
"SHENGKING"	Swatow	7 a.m. 27th Sept.
HEINRICH JESSEN	Amoy	a.m. 27/28th Sept.
"FENGTIEN"	Kobe & Keelung	2/3rd Oct.
"SHANSI"	Incheon & Pusan	3rd Oct.
"HANYANG"	Kobe	5th Oct.
"SZECHUEN"	Sibu & Brunei	1st week Oct.
RIVER SERVICE		
"FATSHAN"	Hongkong/Canton Dept. Hongkong	Canton/Hongkong Arr. Hongkong 7 a.m. 27th Sept.
"WUSUEH"	Midnight 25th Sept.	7 a.m. 28th Sept. & 1st Oct.
"WUSUEH"	26th & 29th Sept. Hongkong/Macao Dept. Hongkong	Arr. Hongkong 4.45 p.m. Sunday

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ARRIVALS FROM		
"AENEAS"	U.K. via Strats	30th Sept.
"AUTOMEDON"	"	12th Oct.
"DEMOS"	"	22nd Sept.
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C&C Beat IRC In Friendly Cricket Match

Entertaining the Indian Recreation Club in a friendly cricket match at Happy Valley yesterday, Craigengower Cricket Club won an exciting game by one wicket. Having first lease of the wicket, Indian Recreation Club were soon in trouble and lost Razzack's wicket in the first ball of the day, when Razzack in trying to hit a very short ball from Crabtree, mistimed it and was out to a catch by Billimoria. Razzack then went in and stayed there for quite a while before scoring the first run. After that, Kitchell played a fine innings and scored 42 runs. A.R. Abbas, their captain, helped with a very useful 11 runs. Billimoria was the most successful bowler and took four wickets for 17 runs. Greenlade a newcomer to the Valley team did well by capturing two wickets. Craigengower was soon in trouble when their opening batsman, A.H. Ismail was run out for three runs. Then Hong Choy, a left hander, came in and played a good game by scoring 25 runs before retiring. Tay, Billimoria and Wong all scored double figures.

IRC

M. I. Razzack, c P. Billimoria, b T. Crabtree	0
S. A. Ismail, c R. Tay, b P. Billimoria	0
A. R. Kitchell, b Ramchand	42
F. M. el Arculli, b P. Billimoria	4
I. M. Omar, c R. Tay, b Billimoria	2
M. A. Wahab, c A. H. Ismail, b Greenlade	2
F. A. Curran, b b Greenlade	5
R. A. Bux, c Greenlade, b Ramchand	0
A. R. Abbas, b, Billimoria	11
H. K. Erbram, b Ramchand	0
A. Khan, not out	4
Extras	4
Total	74

(Bowling Analysis)

T. Crabtree	8	1	3	1
P. Billimoria	8	3	17	4
H. Greenlade	5	1	14	2
G. Hong Choy	2	1	8	1
S. Ramchand	3	2	1	3
H. O. Baker	2	2	18	1
G. A. Souza	2	1	6	1

CCC

A. H. Ismail, run out	3
C. Hong Choy, retired	25
H. Greenlade, run out	5
S. Ramchand, b F. M. el Arculli	2
R. Tay, c Arculli, b Kitchell	10
R. O. Baker, c Omar, b Kitchell	0
P. J. Billimoria, c Razzack, b Abbas	12
G. Souza, b b Kitchell	0
T. Crabtree, b Kitchell	7
L. Wong, b b Abbas	10
Restman, not out	2
Total	76

(Bowling Analysis)

I. M. Omar	6	24	1
A. R. Kitchell	9	33	4
F. M. el Arculli	6	11	2
A. R. Abbas	4.5	1	8

UK COMPOSER HONOURED

London, September 23. Carleton Smith, Director of the National Art Foundation of New York, who is visiting London, announced today that Dr. Ralph Vaughan Williams, the noted British composer, had accepted an appointment to the Foundation's Music Advisory Committee. Dr. Vaughan Williams said that

Veteran Jockey Rides Winner



Mr. H. R. Holgate, veteran jockey, wearing a broad smile, brought Amaran in the winner of the third race at Happy Valley yesterday. ("China Mail" photo)

Badminton In Australia

(By HARRY REIDY)

About 15,000 people in Australia are enthusiastic badminton players. When one realises that easily the same number play cricket in and around any of our big cities on summer Saturday afternoons, it is appreciated that the game has not a big following in this country. Still, as it was less than 20 years ago that it became a nationally organised sport, its present limited popularity really indicates progress.

Further evidence that it is growing in importance as one of the minor sports is shown by the fact that this month an Australian badminton team will begin a tour of New Zealand. This will be the second occasion a representative side has gone abroad. The Western Australian capital, Perth was the first city to introduce badminton to Australia. A group of 14 Army and professional men formed a club there as far back as 1900. Whether the club was too exclusive, or whether its members were just not publicly minded, is not known, but the fact remains that Perth did not become particularly badminton conscious. It was not until 1922 that the records show the staging of a state championship.

Sufficient Enthusiasm

The Eastern states of Australia did not see badminton played until 1910. Ten years later the game had roused sufficient enthusiasm to necessitate the formation of a Badminton Association.

he was grateful for the interest taken in his music in America, but he was unable to accept Mr. Smith's invitation to visit the United States this winter. Reuter.

Cotton Beats Mangrum To Enter Final

Walton Heath, Surrey, September 23.

Henry Cotton, Britain's greatest golfing personality, today put out the two remaining Americans, Johnny Palmer and Lloyd Mangrum, from the British professional match play championship on the Walton Heath course, and so reached the final for the sixth time.

Cotton has won the event three times, as he has the British Open championship. He knocked out Mangrum by four and two in the semi-final.

After beating Palmer by two holes in the quarter-final this morning, Cotton knocked out Mangrum by four and two in the semi-final.

He has obviously come back to his best form and if a score of 67 against 69 when facing Palmer did not prove this, his play against Mangrum did. Tomorrow's 36-hole final Cotton will meet Dai Rees, another of Britain's outstanding players, who beat a fellow Ryder Cup man, Sam King, by five and four in the second semi-final.

A huge crowd went off with Cotton and Mangrum and the Stewards were sometimes powerless as they raced for vantage points after shots had been played.

Mangrum holed from 12 feet to save the first hole after being bunkered, and he snatched another half after being bunkered at the third, when Cotton took three from the edge of the green.

Cotton pitched dead from a bunker for a win at the fifth, but he was unable to prevent the game being level at the sixth.

Mangrum missed the green at the short seventh to fall behind again, won the eighth, but lost the ninth, where Cotton's approach stopped two feet from the pin and the British player turned up one with both men out in 38.

Cotton Turns On Heat

Cotton turned on the heat to become three up, holing from 10 feet at the tenth, after getting down another good putt for a two at the eleventh. He then won a remarkable 12th hole, where Mangrum was twice stymied. Now four up, Cotton faltered at the 14th, to lose, but made no other slip and, after a half at the 15th had left him downy three. He won the 15th, where the American drove into the rough, and finally picked up to concede the hole and the match.

In the other semi-final, Dai Rees led Sam King all the way after winning the second and third holes. He was four up after six holes and still four up at the ninth.

Rees never faltered and with a five and four victory qualified for the final.

In this morning's quarter-finals, Cotton had gone round in 67 to beat Johnny Palmer, the 31-year old North Carolina player, who was himself round in 69.

Mangrum beat Charlie Ward, one of the British Ryder Cup survivors, and the leader on the season's British average, by two holes. Reuter.

HEAVY QUAKE IN TURKISTAN

Amsterdam, September 23.

The Dutch seismograph station at De Bilt registered an extraordinarily heavy earthquake in Turkistan in Southern Russia on July 19. Scientists at the station said it was a very heavy quake.

The meteorological station at Koenigsberg reported today that it had recorded an earth shock, apparently centred in Russia, during July, but said it was probably not an atomic explosion—United Press.

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Tunny's suspension followed an accident in the last race, the Battersea Park Handicap (Third Section), when shortly after the start Marber, ridden by Mr. W. Williamson, got sandwiched and was knocked against the rail opposite the stables.

Marber fell and got pinned down under the rail. Mr. Williamson managed to crawl clear. Marber had to be dragged out but miraculously escaped injury.

Mr. H. W. Mok, Tunny's rider, was suspended by the stewards until further notice for bumping and crossing.

This was not the only accident at yesterday's races, though none of them was serious.

Shannon, in the third event, threw its rider, Mr. A. Ostroumoff, as it dashed against the barrier in a false start. Mr. Ostroumoff was unhurt and managed to ride in the race after Shannon had made one round of the course by itself without a jockey.

In the seventh event, in another false start, Mr. H. Maitland was thrown from the Chief, but he suffered no injury. After another false start the race started five minutes behind time.

Poor Times

The races yesterday were without thrill and there were no exciting finishes except in the last event. Racing time was well below record.

To backers of favourites it was a day of keen disappointment, as in one upset after another, outsiders took the wins and places, resulting in a sustained big pay-out on the pari-mutuel.

The biggest win dividend was HK\$258.70 on Constant Star in the second race; and the biggest place dividend of HK\$45.60 was drawn by Nervous Witness in the first race.

For attendance yesterday's races were an unqualified success, as crowds of turf fans rushed to pour their bets on favourites in the first race after the summer holidays.

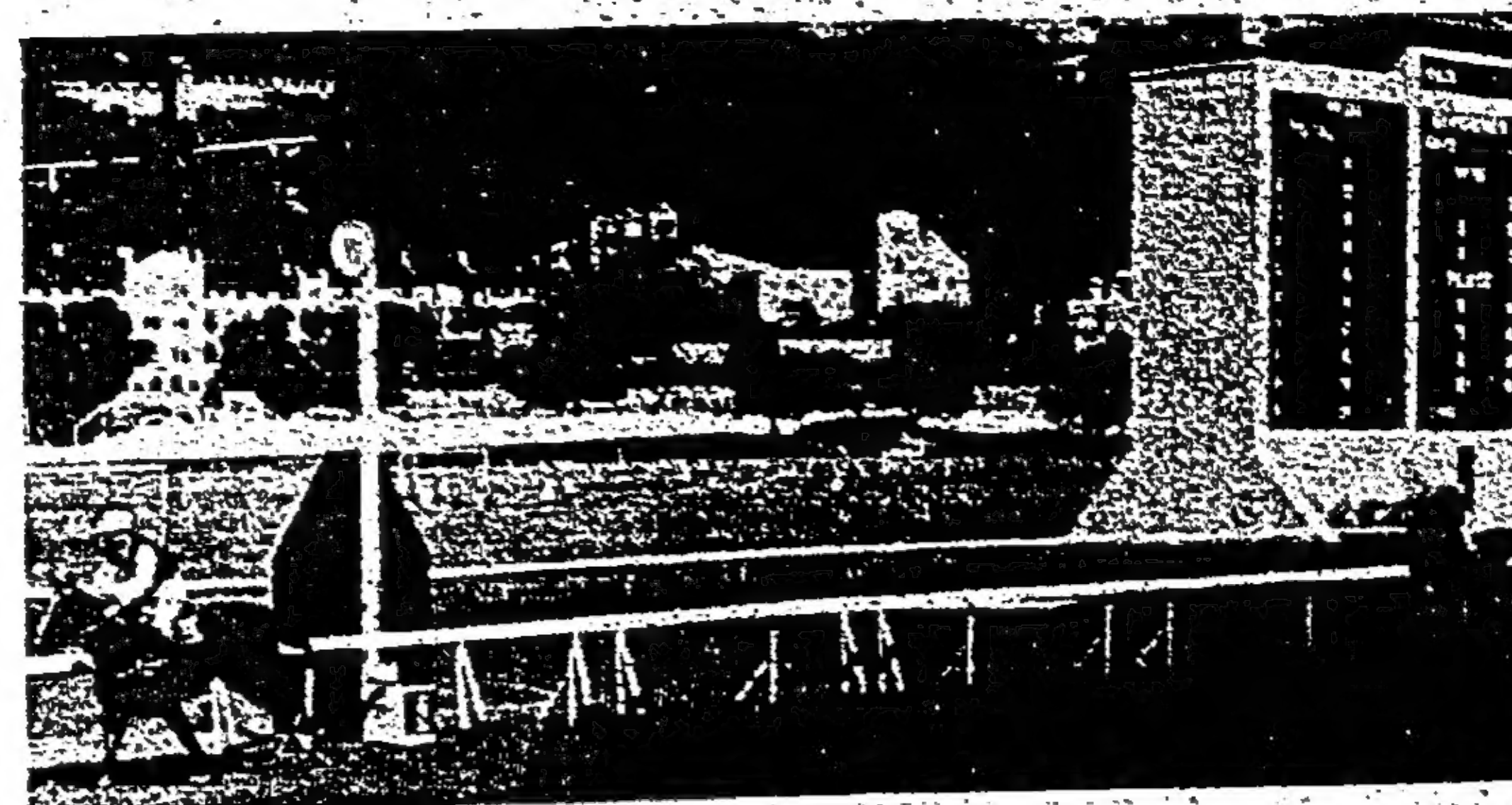
New Totalisator

The newly-installed totalisator was in use for the first time yesterday, though only the section showing the pari-mutuel results and the racing times was working. The sections showing the betting figures are expected to be ready for use at the next meeting.

Operation of the totalisator system reduced the rush to buy tickets and collection of winnings yesterday, and this was favourably commented upon by people. The big cash sweep on the last race netted the holder of ticket 125,402 the first prize of HK\$106,722. Ticket No. 78584 drew the second prize of HK\$30,492. Ticket No. 141,869, drawn on Lightning, which actually came in fourth but was jockeyed to

SUNDAY HERALD SPORTS SECTION HONG KONG, SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 1949.

Winner Of Hyde Park Handicap



Bashful Beauty, Mr. K. Kwok up, passing the winning post many lengths ahead of the runner-up, in the Hyde Park Handicap, the race of giants. To the right is seen the totalisator, in use for the first time yesterday. ("China Mail" Photo).

St. James Park Handicap (Second Section)

Race 5.—For Australian Ponies Class 5. One and a quarter miles. 1, Sportmaster; 2, Argus; 3, Trade Wind; 4, Hong Kong Sinter.

Won by four lengths; many lengths.

Time: 2:28.4.

Pari-Mutuel Win \$38.80; Places \$11.30, \$10.70, \$11.80.

BETTING: Arabian Moon, 141 (J.A. Aschale), 112; Place 227; Argus, 141 (L.S. Mui), 270, 242; Arabian, 159 (A. Ostroumoff), 816, 564; Bashful Beauty, 141 (K. Kwok), 1,094, 1,094; Donkilo, 141 (K.S. Shi), 123, 179; Hong Kong Sinter, 141 (R.A. Castro), 1,191, 1,064; Powerhouse, 141 (H. Maitland), 4,132, 2,625; Sportmaster, 828, 291; Trade Wind, 141 (K. Kwok), 2,532, 4,234; Trade Wind, 141 (K. Kwok), 1,322, 2,012. Total Win 19,242. Place 23,274. Place 17,844.

Hyde Park Handicap

Race 5.—For Australian Ponies Class 1A. One mile.

1, Bashful Beauty; 2, Egyptian Field; 3, Norse Queen; 4, Black Market.

Won by many lengths; many lengths.

Time: 1:54.1.

Pari-Mutuel Win \$34.50; Places \$9.40, \$11.30, \$12.

BETTING: Arabian, 141 (E.A. Brodie), 112; Place 227; Argus, 141 (L.S. Mui), 270, 242; Arabian, 159 (A. Ostroumoff), 816, 564; Bashful Beauty, 141 (K. Kwok), 1,094, 1,094; Donkilo, 141 (K.S. Shi), 123, 179; Hong Kong Sinter, 141 (R.A. Castro), 1,191, 1,064; Powerhouse, 141 (H. Maitland), 4,132, 2,625; Sportmaster, 828, 291; Trade Wind, 141 (K. Kwok), 2,532, 4,234; Trade Wind, 141 (K. Kwok), 1,322, 2,012. Total Win 19,242. Place 23,274. Place 17,844.

Battersea Park Handicap (First Section)

Race 2.—For Australian Ponies Class 6. One mile.

1, Constant Star; 2, Honey Dew; 3, Ingrid; 4, National Gift.

Won by six lengths; four lengths.

Time: 1:58.2.

Pari-Mutuel Win \$256.30; Places \$40.70, \$13.50, \$18.90.

BETTING: Arabian, 141 (E.A. Brodie), 112; Place 227; Argus, 141 (L.S. Mui), 270, 242; Arabian, 159 (A. Ostroumoff), 816, 564; Bashful Beauty, 141 (K. Kwok), 1,094, 1,094; Donkilo, 141 (K.S. Shi), 123, 179; Hong Kong Sinter, 141 (R.A. Castro), 1,191, 1,064; Powerhouse, 141 (H. Maitland), 4,132, 2,625; Sportmaster, 828, 291; Trade Wind, 141 (K. Kwok), 2,532, 4,234; Trade Wind, 141 (K. Kwok), 1,322, 2,012. Total Win 19,242. Place 23,274. Place 17,844.

Battersea Park Handicap (Second Section)

Race 6.—For Australian Ponies Class 6. One mile.

1, Windermere; 2, A Grand Time; 3, Desert Knight; 4, Speed Wheel.

Won by many lengths; two lengths.

Time: 1:57.4.

Pari-Mutuel Win \$33.20; Places \$15.90, \$12.60, \$30.30.

BETTING: Arabian, 141 (E.A. Brodie), 112; Place 227; Argus, 141 (L.S. Mui), 270, 242; Arabian, 159 (A. Ostroumoff), 816, 564; Bashful Beauty, 141 (K. Kwok), 1,094, 1,094; Donkilo, 141 (K.S. Shi), 123, 179; Hong Kong Sinter, 141 (R.A. Castro), 1,191, 1,064; Powerhouse, 141 (H. Maitland), 4,132, 2,625; Sportmaster, 828, 291; Trade Wind, 141 (K. Kwok), 2,532, 4,234; Trade Wind, 141 (K. Kwok), 1,322, 2,012. Total Win 19,242. Place 23,274. Place 17,844.

Kensington Gardens Handicap

Race 3.—For Australian Ponies Class 1B. Five furlongs.

1, Amant; 2, Amazon; 3, Cooper; 4, Fort Knox.

Won by three lengths; two lengths.

Time: 1:05.3.

Pari-Mutuel Win \$15.30; Places \$7.20, \$5.50, \$10.40.

BETTING: Arabian, 141 (E.A. Brodie), 112; Place 227; Argus, 141 (L.S. Mui), 270, 242; Arabian, 159 (A. Ostroumoff), 816, 564; Bashful Beauty, 141 (K. Kwok), 1,094, 1,094; Donkilo, 141 (K.S. Shi), 123, 179; Hong Kong Sinter, 141 (R.A. Castro), 1,191, 1,064; Powerhouse, 141 (H. Maitland), 4,132, 2,625; Sportmaster, 828, 291; Trade Wind, 141 (K. Kwok), 2,532, 4,234; Trade Wind, 141 (K. Kwok), 1,322, 2,012. Total Win 19,242. Place 23,274. Place 17,844.

Regents Park Handicap (First Section)

Race 7.—For Australian Ponies Class 2. Six furlongs.

1, Pay Day; 2, Pearl Diver; 3, Home Builder; 4, Rose Emma.

Won by half length; five lengths.

Time: 1:23.3.

Pari-Mutuel Win \$52.40; Places \$13.70, \$16.10, \$8.80.

BETTING: Arabian, 141 (E.A. Brodie), 112; Place 227; Argus, 141 (L.S. Mui), 270, 242; Arabian, 159 (A. Ostroumoff), 816, 564; Bashful Beauty, 141 (K. Kwok), 1,094, 1,094; Donkilo, 141 (K.S. Shi), 123, 179; Hong Kong Sinter, 141 (R.A. Castro), 1,191, 1,064; Powerhouse, 141 (H. Maitland), 4,132, 2,625; Sportmaster, 828, 291; Trade Wind, 141 (K. Kwok), 2,532, 4,234; Trade Wind, 141 (K. Kwok), 1,322, 2,012. Total Win 19,242. Place 23,274. Place 17,844.

Regents Park Handicap (Second Section)

Race 8.—For Australian Ponies Class 2. Six furlongs.

1, High Speed; 2, Dominion Day; 3, Lucky Strike; 4, My Love.

Won by two lengths; four lengths.

Time: 1:23.2.

Pari-Mutuel Win \$27.60; Places \$11.80, \$9.10, \$8.20.

BETTING: Arabian, 141 (E.A. Brodie), 112; Place 227; Argus, 141 (L.S. Mui), 270, 242; Arabian, 159 (A. Ostroumoff), 816, 564; Bashful Beauty, 141 (K. Kwok), 1,094, 1,094; Donkilo, 141 (K.S. Shi), 123, 179; Hong Kong Sinter, 141 (R.A. Castro), 1,191, 1,064; Powerhouse, 141 (H. Maitland), 4,132, 2,625; Sportmaster, 828, 291; Trade Wind, 141 (K. Kwok), 2,532, 4,234; Trade Wind, 141 (K. Kwok), 1,322, 2,012. Total Win 19,242. Place 23,274. Place 17,844.

St. James Park Handicap (Third Section)

Race 9.—For Australian Ponies Class 5. One and a quarter miles.

1, Brivisto; 2, Ann Hing; 3, Some Fun; 4, Fleeta.

Won by one length; three lengths.

Time: 2:20.1.

Pari-Mutuel Win \$28.30; Places \$8.00, \$6.90, \$10.10.

BETTING: Arabian, 141 (E.A. Brodie), 112; Place 227; Argus, 141 (L.S. Mui), 270, 242; Arabian, 159 (A. Ostroumoff), 816, 564; Bashful Beauty, 141 (K. Kwok), 1,094, 1,094; Donkilo, 141 (K.S. Shi), 123, 179; Hong Kong Sinter, 141 (R.A. Castro), 1,191, 1,064; Powerhouse, 141 (H. Maitland), 4,132, 2,625; Sportmaster, 828, 291; Trade Wind, 141 (K. Kwok), 2,532, 4,234; Trade Wind, 141 (K. Kwok), 1,322, 2,012. Total Win 19,242. Place 23,274. Place 17,844.

Battersea Park Handicap (Third Section)

Race 10.—For Australian Ponies Class 6. One mile.

1, Priority; 2, Tunny; 3, Ho Pollo; 4, Lightning.

Won by a neck; 2 1/2 lengths.

Time: 2:00.2.

Pari-Mutuel Win \$84.30; Places \$29.50, \$13.60, \$10.20.

BETTING: Arabian, 141 (E.A. Brodie), 112; Place 227; Argus, 141 (L.S. Mui), 270, 242; Arabian, 159 (A. Ostroumoff), 816, 564; Bashful Beauty, 141 (K. Kwok), 1,094, 1,094; Donkilo, 141 (K.S. Shi), 123, 179; Hong Kong Sinter, 141 (R.A. Castro), 1,191, 1,064; Powerhouse, 141 (H. Maitland), 4,132, 2,625; Sportmaster, 828, 291; Trade Wind, 141 (K. Kwok), 2,532, 4,234; Trade Wind, 141 (K. Kwok), 1,322, 2,012. Total Win 19,242. Place 23,274. Place 17,844.

Home Football Results

London, September 24.

The following were the results of football matches played today:

FIRST DIVISION		SECOND DIVISION	
Arsenal	4	Birmingham	2
Aston Villa	2	Everton	0
Burnley	1	Manchester U.	0
Charlton	0	Middlesbrough	0
Fulham	2	Newcastle	1
Liverpool	3	Derby	1
Manchester C.	0	Blackpool	1
Portsmouth	1	Bolton	1
Sheff. Wed.	2	Sheff. W.	0
Sunderland	2	West Brom	1
Wolves	7	Huddersfield	1

THIRD DIVISION (South)		THIRD DIVISION (North)	
Bournemouth	2	Brighton	2
Bristol C.	2	Walsall	1
Bristol R.	0	Bristol R.	0
Crystal P.	1	Ipswich	1
Exeter	1	Portsmouth	1
Leiston	1	Portsmouth	1
Newport	4	Millwall	3
Northampton	3	Torquay	0
Norwich	4	Swindon	0
Reading	0	Aldershot	0
Reading	0	Notts C.	0
Westford	1	Southend	0

SCOTTISH LEAGUE—"A"		SCOTTISH LEAGUE—"B"	
Aberdeen	2	Dundee	2
Clyde	4	Partick T.	1
Heart of Midlothian	5	Hibs	2
Marshall	2	St. Mirren	2
Queen's Park	0	Thistle	1
Rangers	4	East Fife	0
Stirling	3	Falkirk	2

Have You Won?

Cash Sweep

RACE 1		RACE 6	
1st No. 3937	HK\$3,265	1st No. 3792	\$4,667
2nd "2187"	1,013	2nd "2187"	1,162
3rd "186"	507	3rd "2187"	581
Unplaced Ponies (HK\$100 each)	4354, 238, 4385, 2745, 1350, 4671, 3845, 1921.	Unplaced Ponies (HK\$100 each)	4202, 4829, 2454, 5577, 1997, 5432, 2202, 2169, 2129, 340, 3330, 5501.

RACE 2		RACE 7	
1st No. 72	\$3,569	1st No. 2553	\$4,745
2nd "1128"	1,020	2nd "6068"	1,356
3rd "168"	510	3rd "1517"	678
Unplaced Ponies (HK\$100 each)	440, 1745, 1195, 3690, 4892, 3239, 1870, 1218, 5102, 3130, 3150.	Unplaced Ponies (HK\$100 each)	4545, 3325, 2628, 4828, 2505.

RACE 3		RACE 8	
1st No. 3098	\$4,100	1st No. 1457	\$4,253
2nd "5525"	1,172	2nd "5520"	1,287
3rd "1687"	586	3rd "1915"	593
Unplaced Ponies (HK\$100 each)	869, 4355, 1694, 5305, 335, 1446.	Unplaced Ponies (HK\$100 each)	4228, 4345, 6719, 4646.

RACE 4		RACE 9	
1st No. 4167	\$4,167	1st No. 3954	\$4,552
2nd "2467"	1,191	2nd "5520"	1,287
3rd "723"	595	3rd "2471"	708
Unplaced Ponies (HK\$100 each)	3818, 1449, 3973, 1100, 1308, 4095, 3120.	Unplaced Ponies (HK\$100 each)	1056, 6205, 1497, 5631, 222.

RACE 5		RACE 10	
1st No. 4957	\$4,303	1st No. 125402	\$104,722
2nd "2514"	1,229	2nd "78584"	30,492
3rd "1819"	615	3rd "141869"	15,246
Unplaced Ponies (HK\$100 each)	5993, 1408, 251, 965, 181, 3964, 3332.	Unplaced Ponies (HK\$100 each)	77396, 2468, 77276, 3442, 58508, 99447, 94954, 32602, 77634.

Witness, 127 (G. Reaner), 5,029, 2,970; Columbia, 127 (A. Ostroumoff), 2,219; 1,164; Florida, 141 (W. W. Thomas), 1,310; 770; Frontalier, 141 (W. W. Thomas), 1,748; 2,222; Some Fun, 141 (W. W. Thomas), 1,229; 1,254; Vindictive, 141 (W. W. Thomas), 1,109; 774. Total Win 25,845. Place 16,828.

Battersea Park Handicap (Third Section)

Race 10.—For Australian Ponies Class 6. One mile.

1, Priority; 2, Tunny; 3, Ho Pollo; 4, Lightning.

Won by a neck; 2 1/2 lengths.

Time: 2:00.2.

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Chinese YMCA Beat VRC In Swimming Meet

(By KIMBERLEY)

Chan Chiu-cheong bettered the record for the 100 yards breast stroke last night at the VRC-Chinese YMCA swimming gala, returning to seconds for the distance to clip a fifth of a second off the official mark of 70 seconds set by Ng Nin in 1940.

His effort took him over the distance to beat the reigning champion, Gerry Rosa-Pereira of VRC, by more than two yards, with the champ himself clocking the slow time of 72.2 seconds.

This victory of Chan Chiu-cheong advanced him to the berth of the top favourite now for the 100 yards breast stroke title in the Championships. His closest competitor will more likely be Tang Ho-fook of Eastern Athletic Association than Rosa-Pereira.

Chan Chiu-cheong, who swam the Victorians to win the meet by five points.

George Saunders, champion and record holder of the 50 yards free style (trouble sprint) was the race in last night's meet, returning 1:25.2 seconds. Saunders was performing in grand championship style for 40 yards of the distance. Then he hit against the rope. But for that, Saunders might have swum under 25 seconds.

The race at least showed that Saunders has yet much with which to defend his title against William Teo of Eastern, by whom the Victorians were beaten in good time recently.

Needless to say, William Teo was at VRC last night to watch Saunders' performance.

Monteiro Wins

Sonny Monteiro measured the 100 yards free style sprint in 57 seconds flat to beat Lau Ping of the Chinese YMCA by a full second. Wong Kam-wah, youth-ful former Lai Tsun protegee, churned in at 59 1/2.

The scoreboard marked 13 points to 11 in favour of the Chinese YMCA before the last event of the evening, the 4 x 50 yards free style relay.

VRC depended upon this race to avenge a previous defeat. They could not manage it, however, in spite of Saunders and Monteiro.